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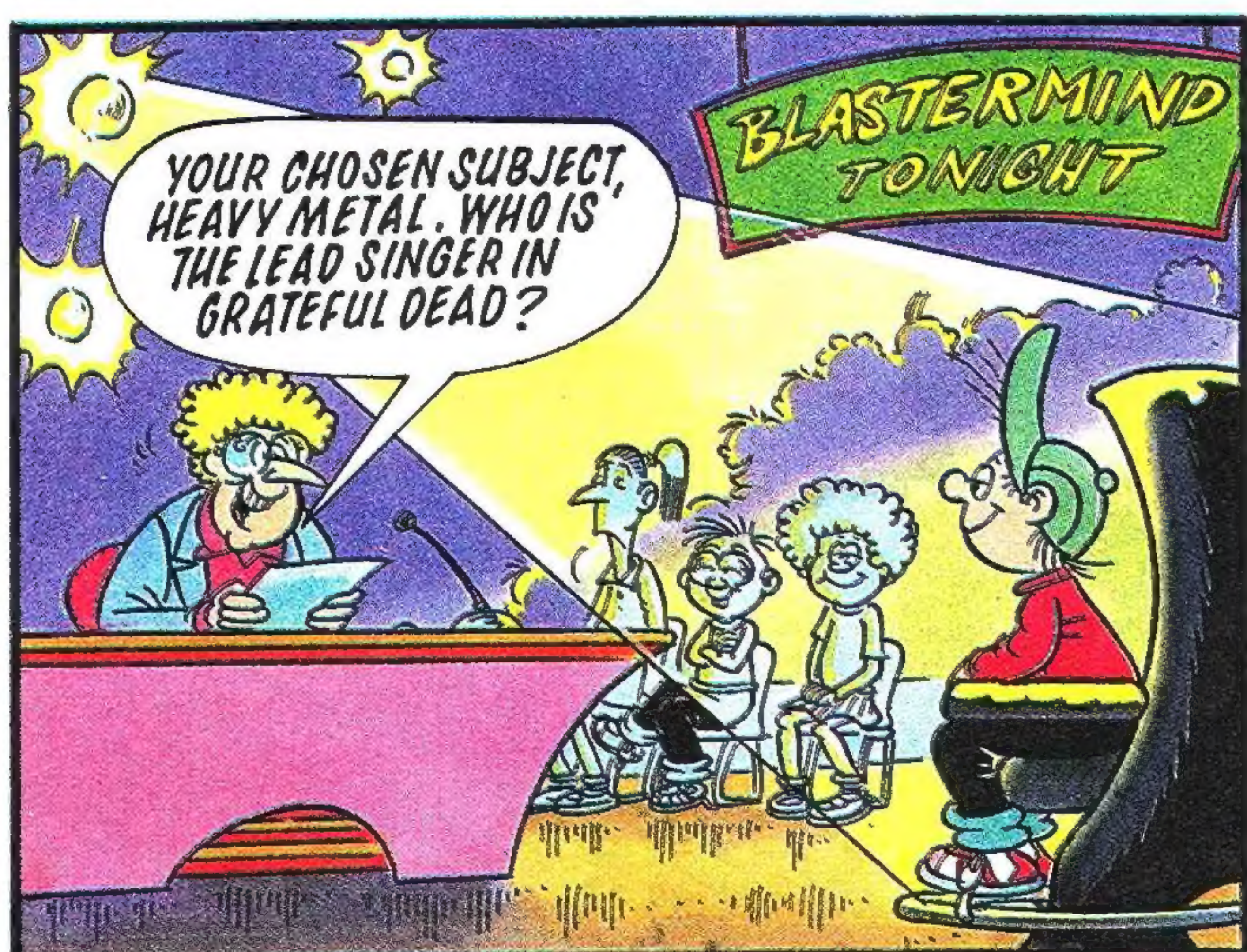
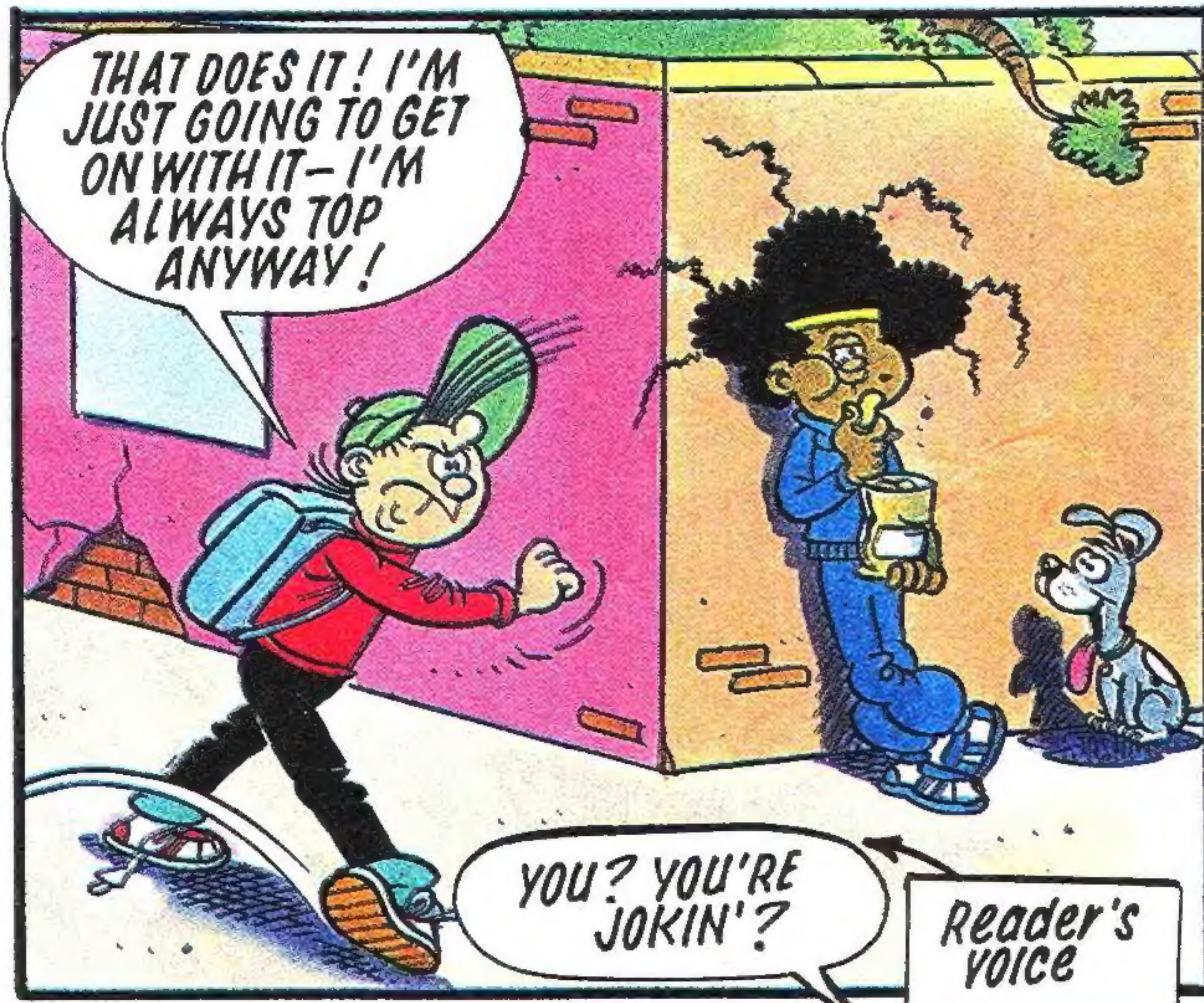
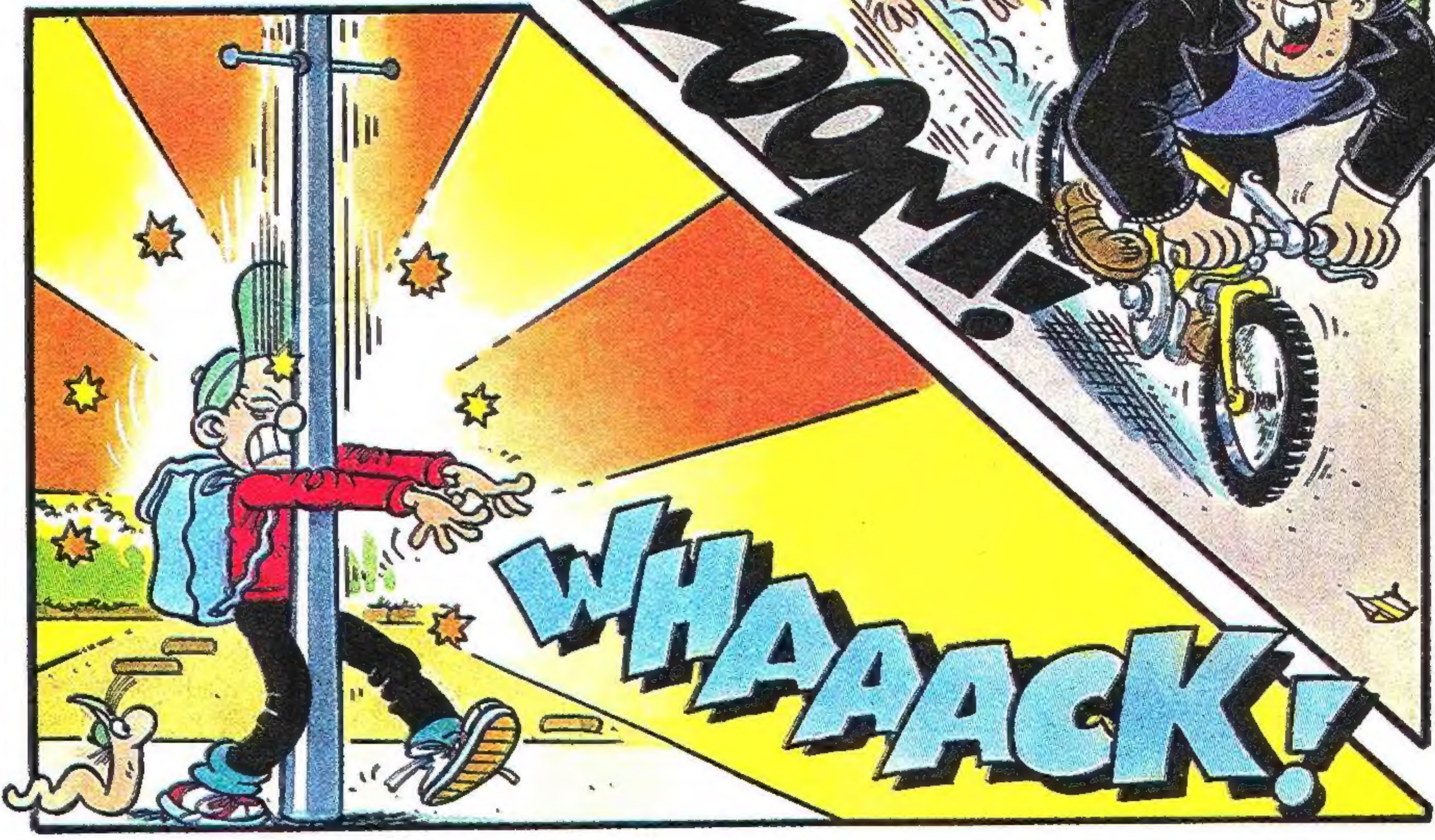
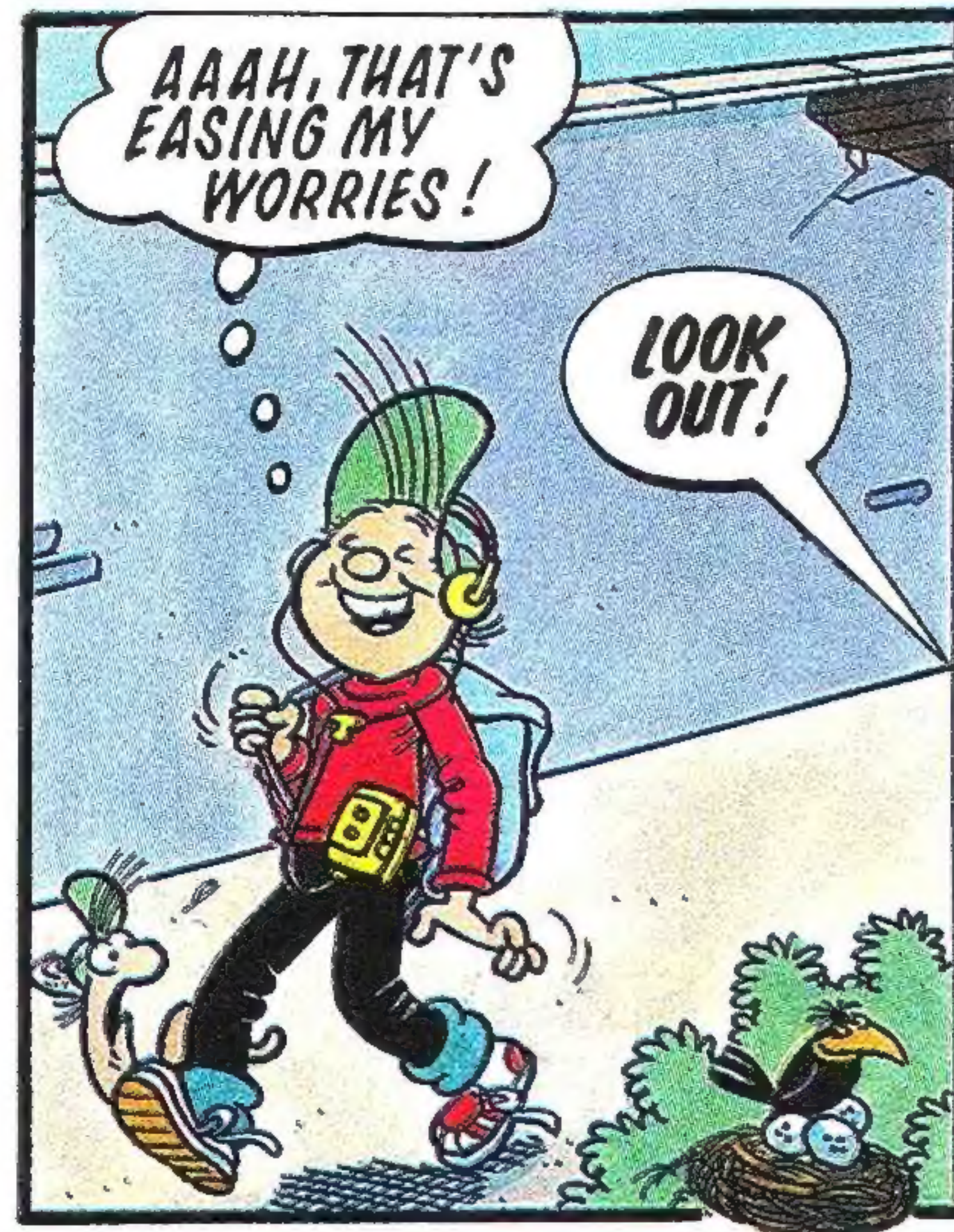
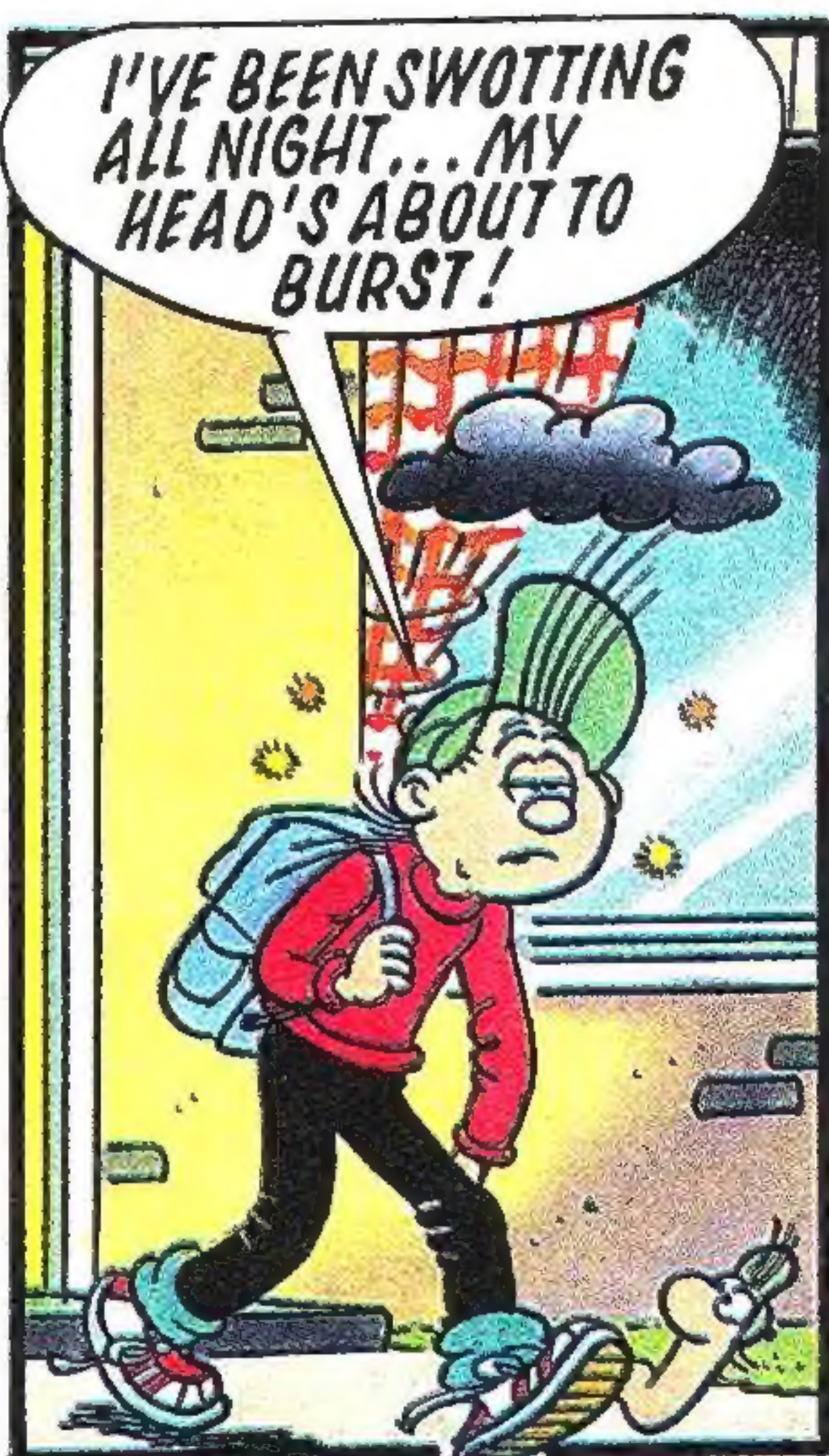
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THROW IT ...
CATCH IT ...
SAIL IT ...



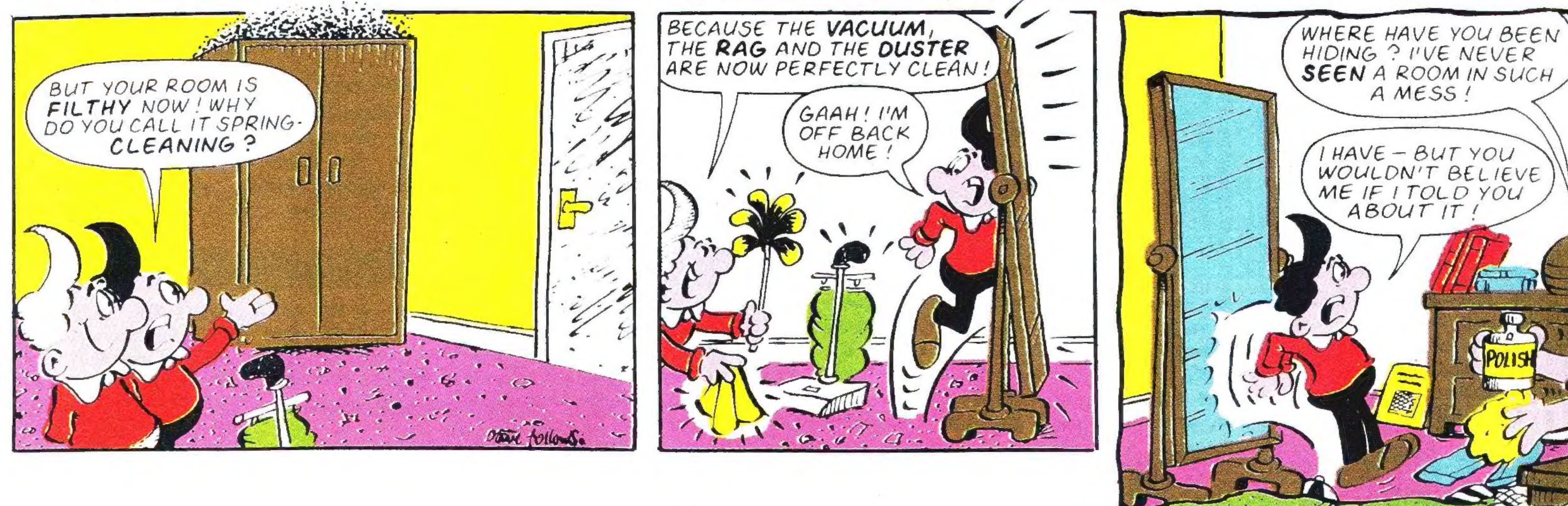
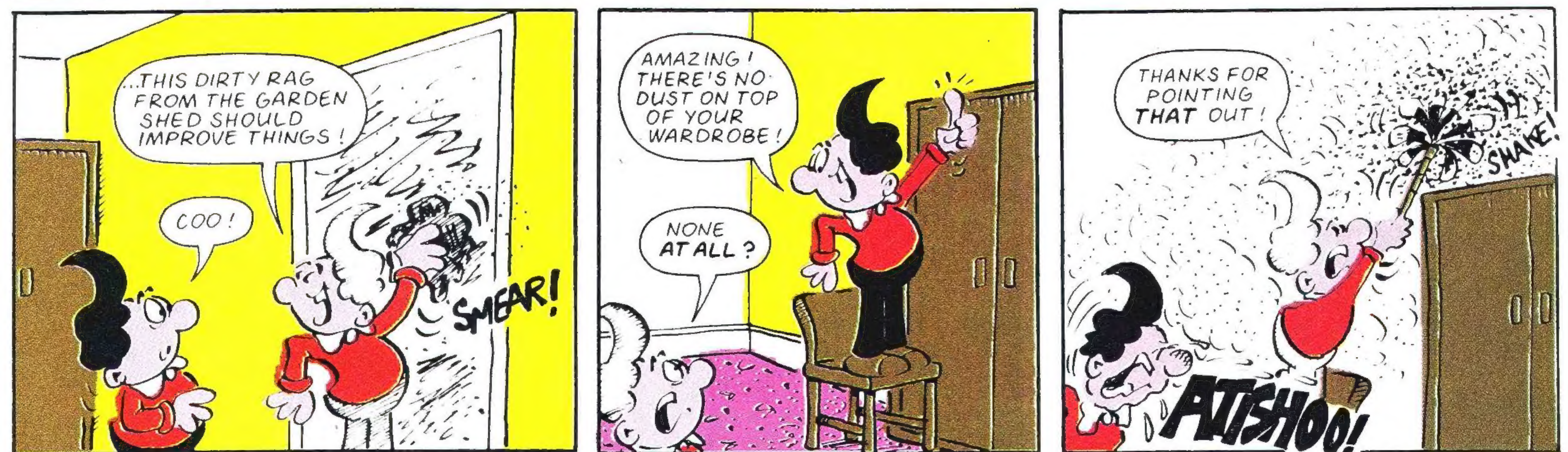
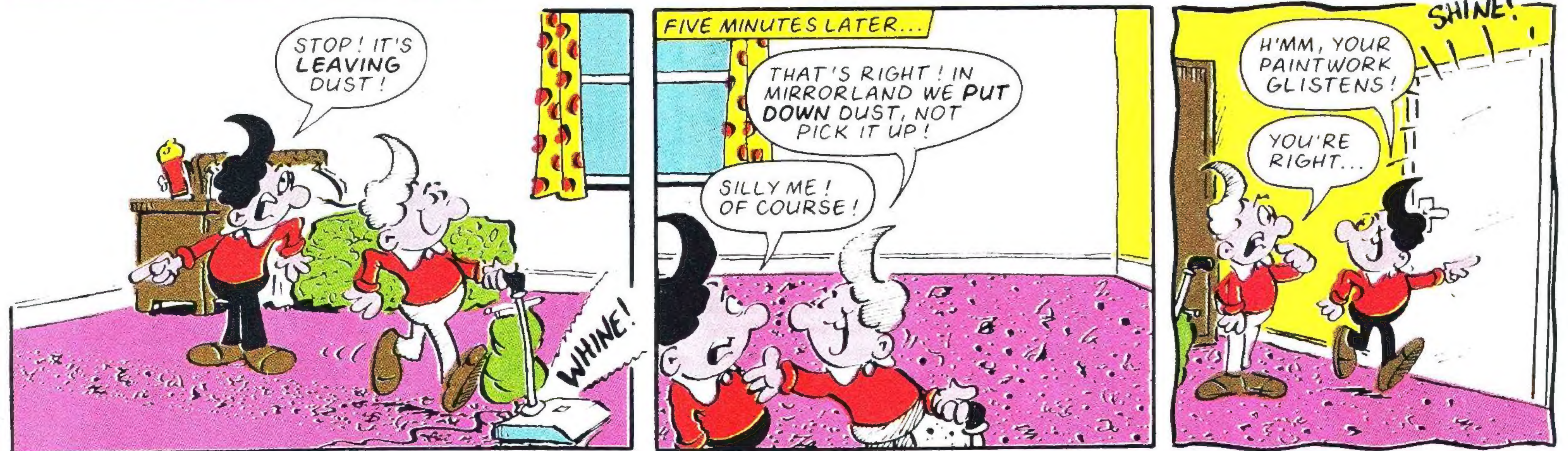
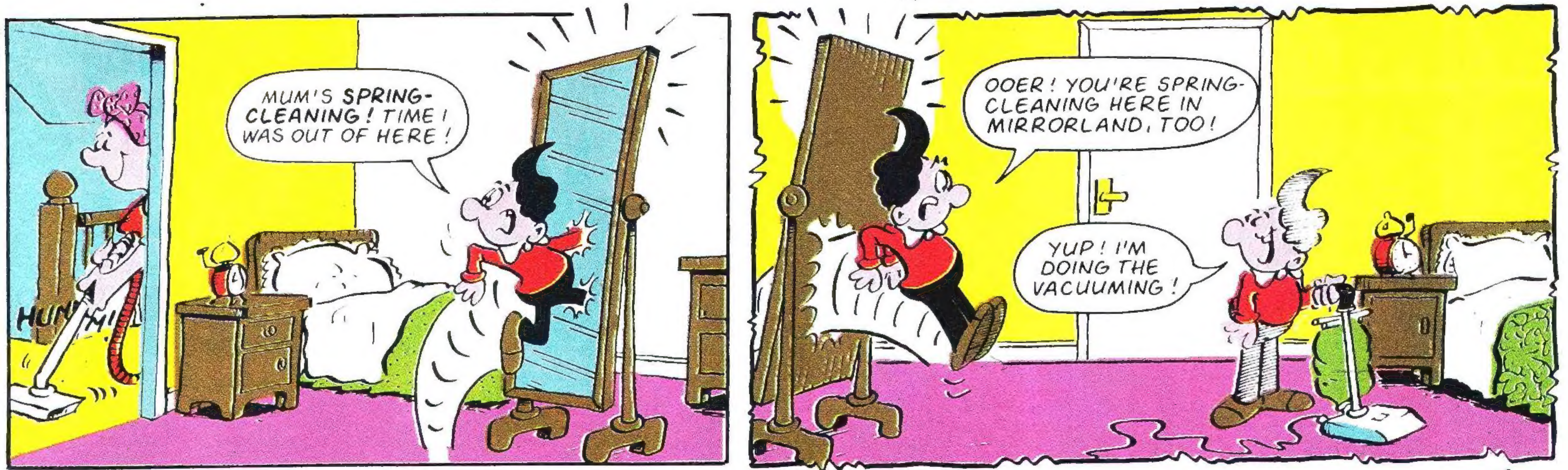
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Melvyn's MIRROR



WHO DARES
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...with

Buster and

**MIGHTY
MAX**

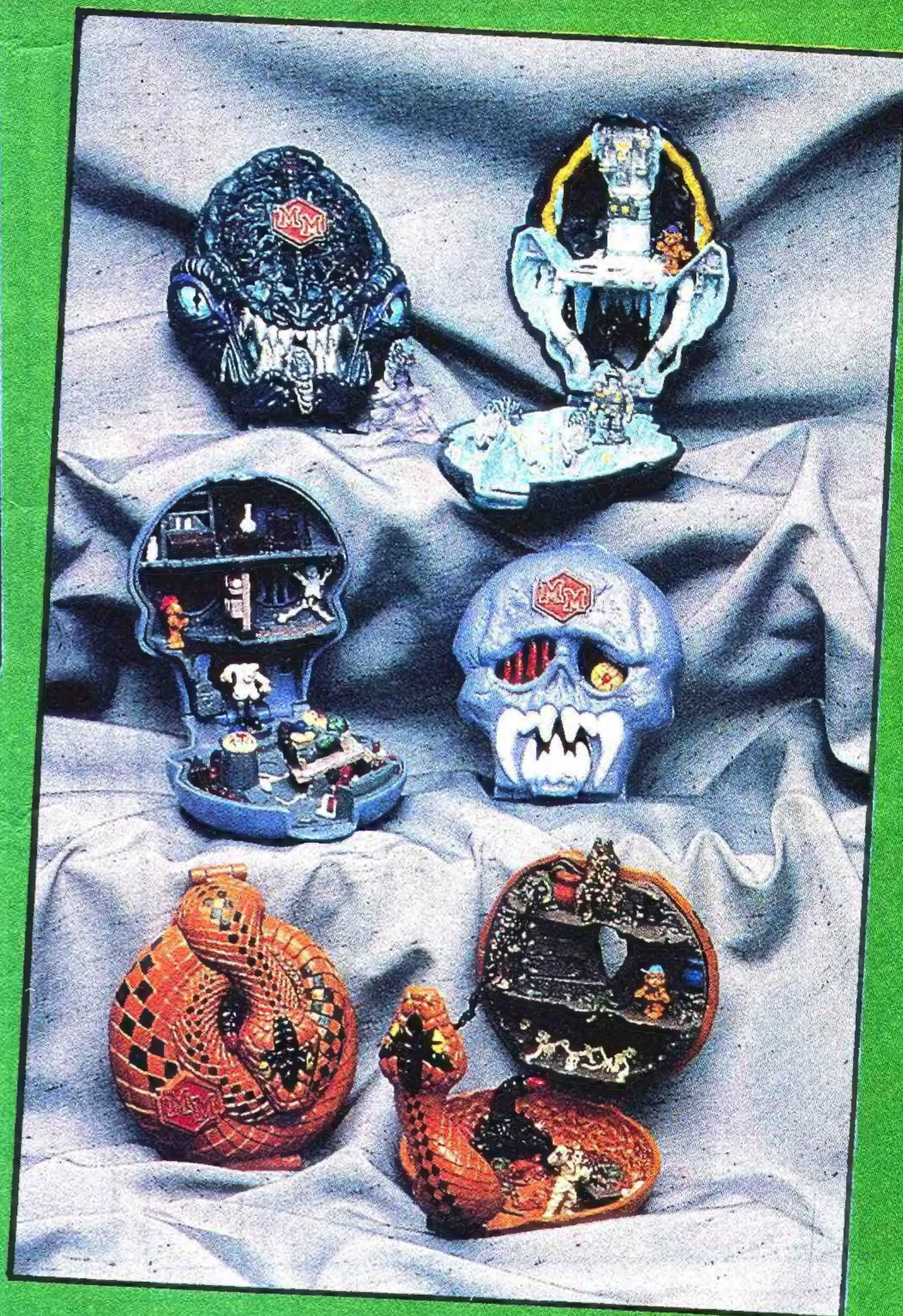
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**75 DOOM
ZONES**

UP FOR GRABS!



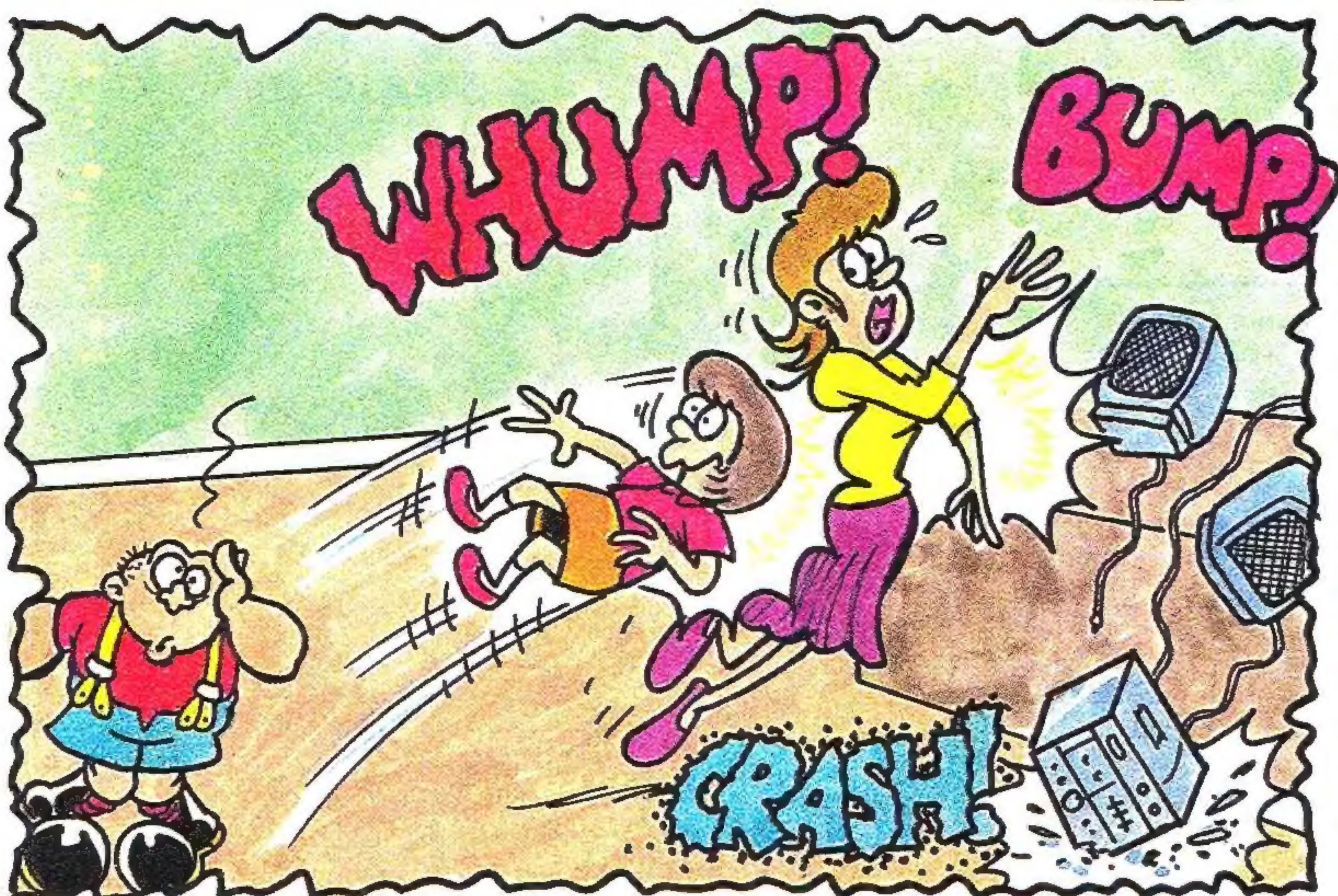
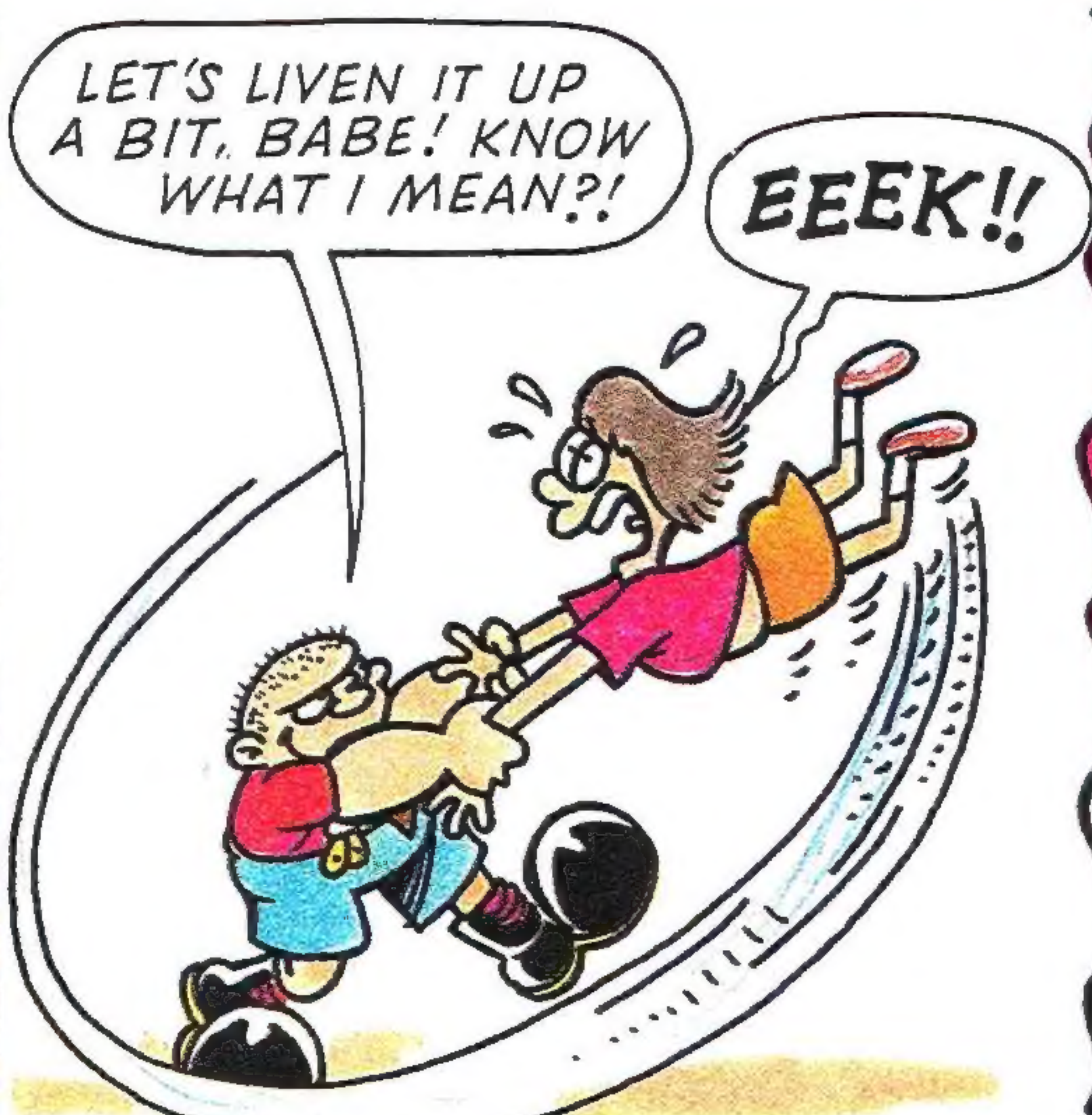
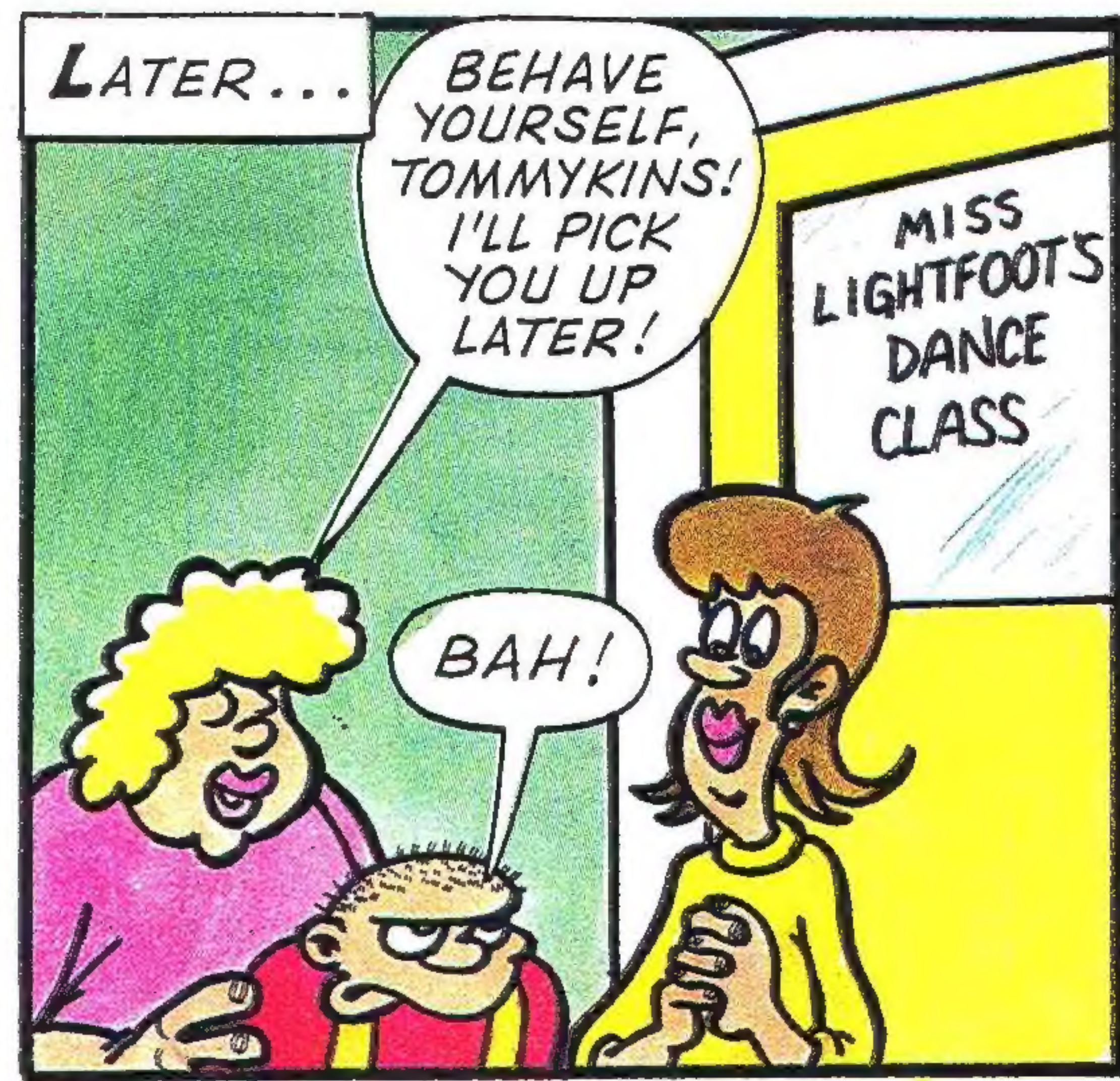
YO, PALS! MY NAME'S MIGHTY MAX, AND I'VE TEAMED UP WITH MY FRIEND BUSTER TO GIVE YOU THE CHANCE TO WIN ONE OF THESE BRILLIANT NEW DOOM ZONES THAT FEATURE LITTLE OL' ME IN SOME REALLY SPINE-TINGLING ADVENTURES! THERE ARE SIX DIFFERENT DOOM ZONES IN ALL - AND IN EACH ONE, I HAVE TO BATTLE AGAINST SOME PRETTY EVIL ENEMIES! THE DOOM ZONES SHOWN HERE ARE ICE ALIEN, SKULL DUNGEON AND TEMPLE OF VENOM.



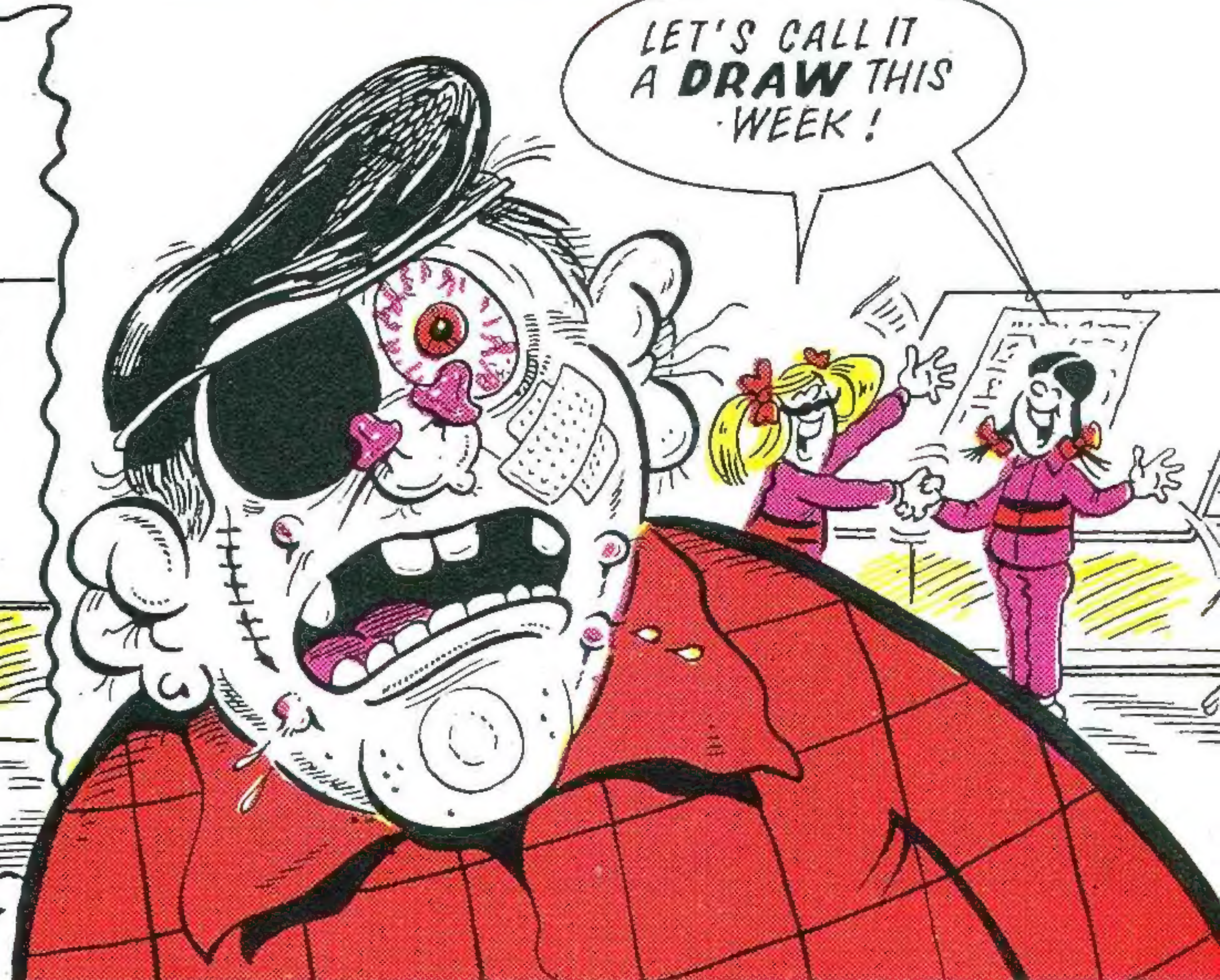
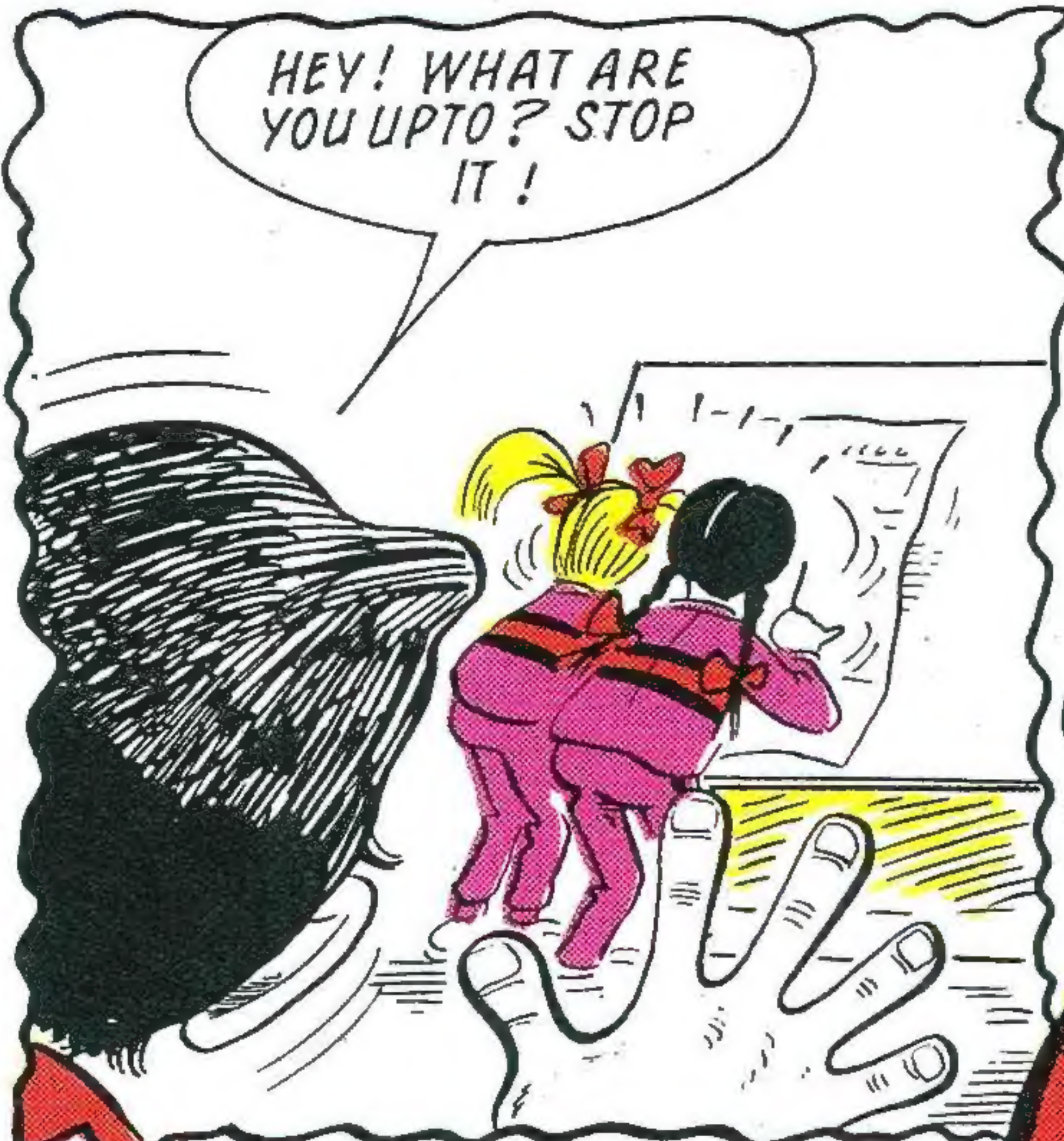
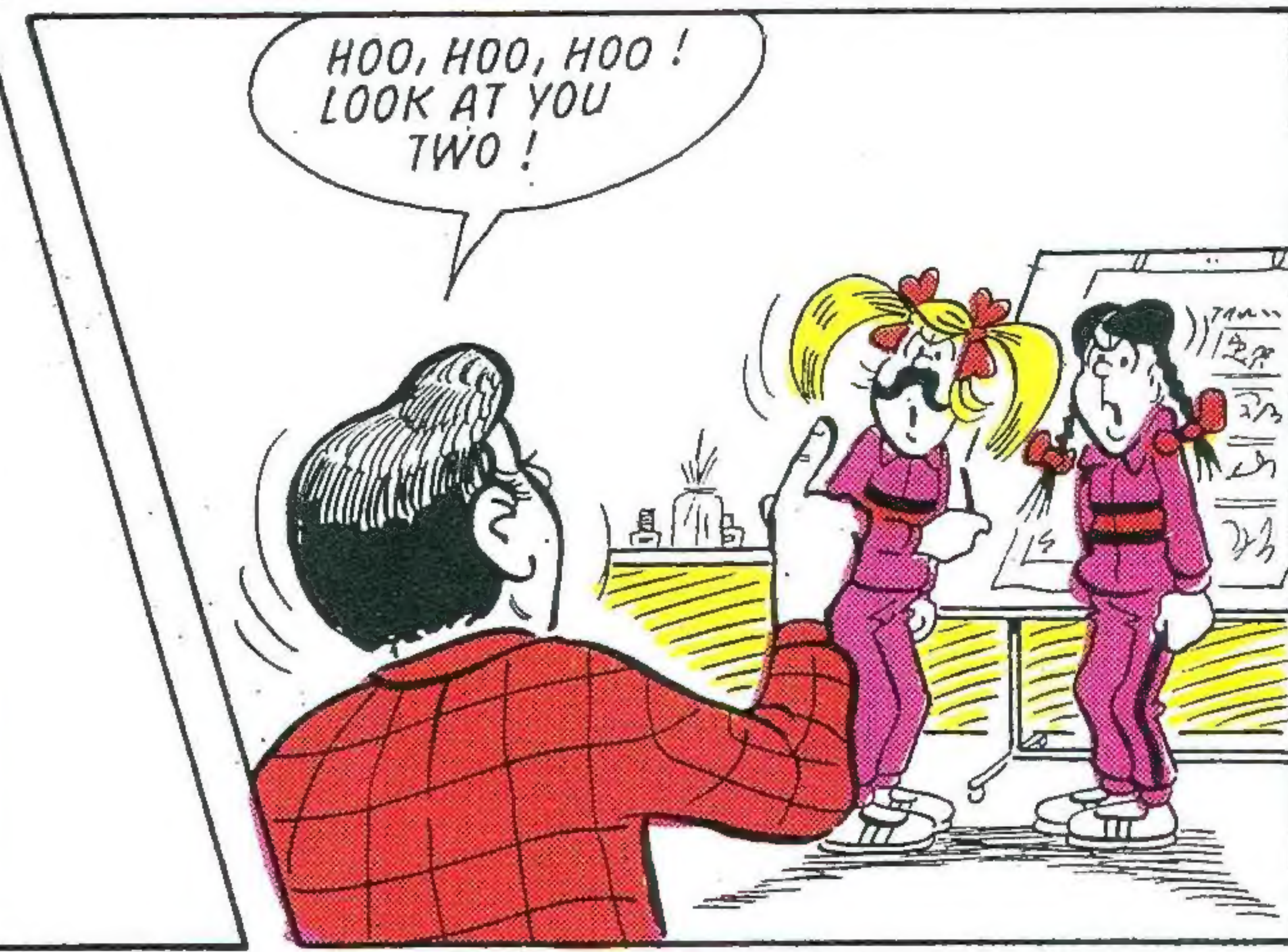
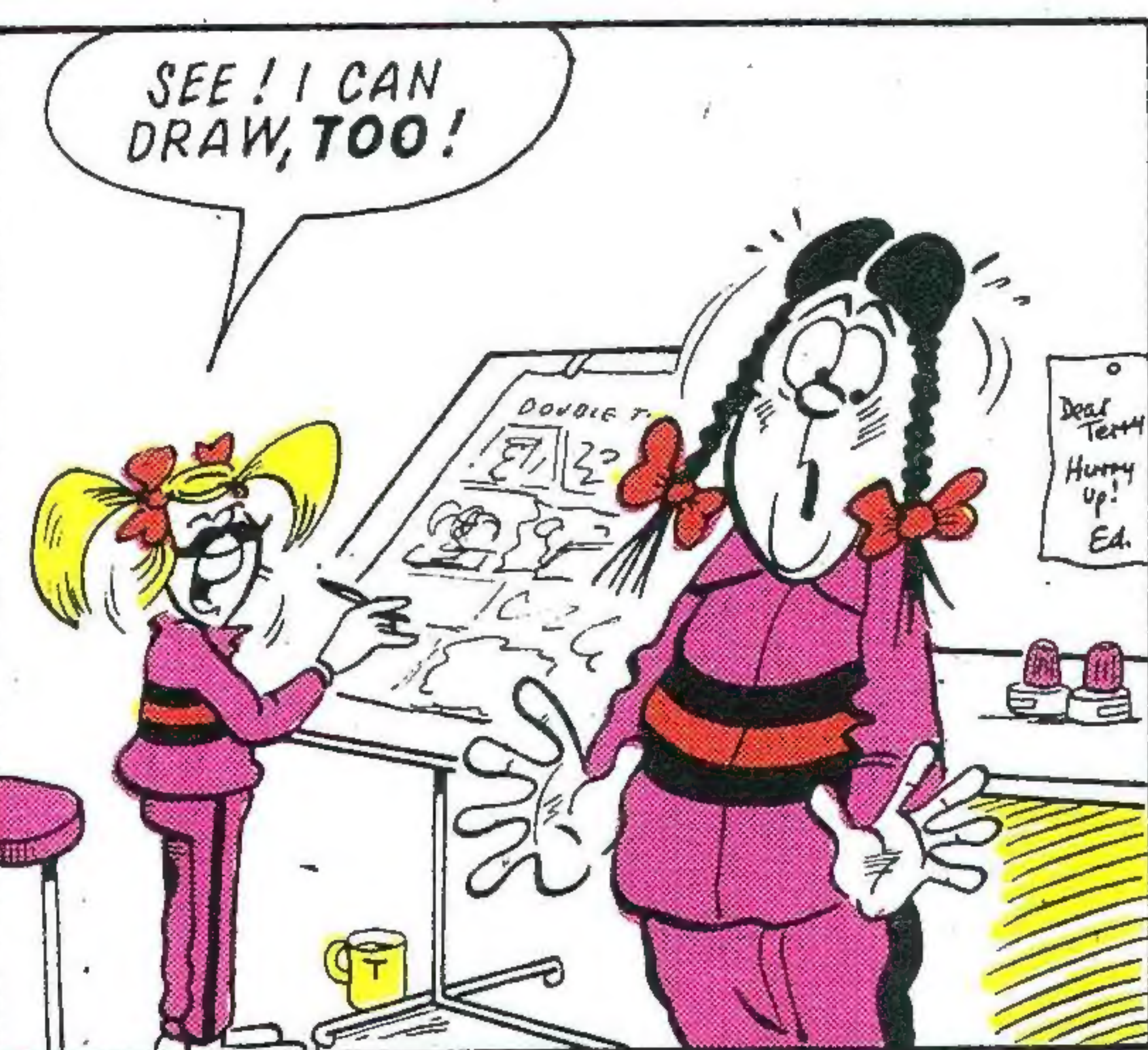
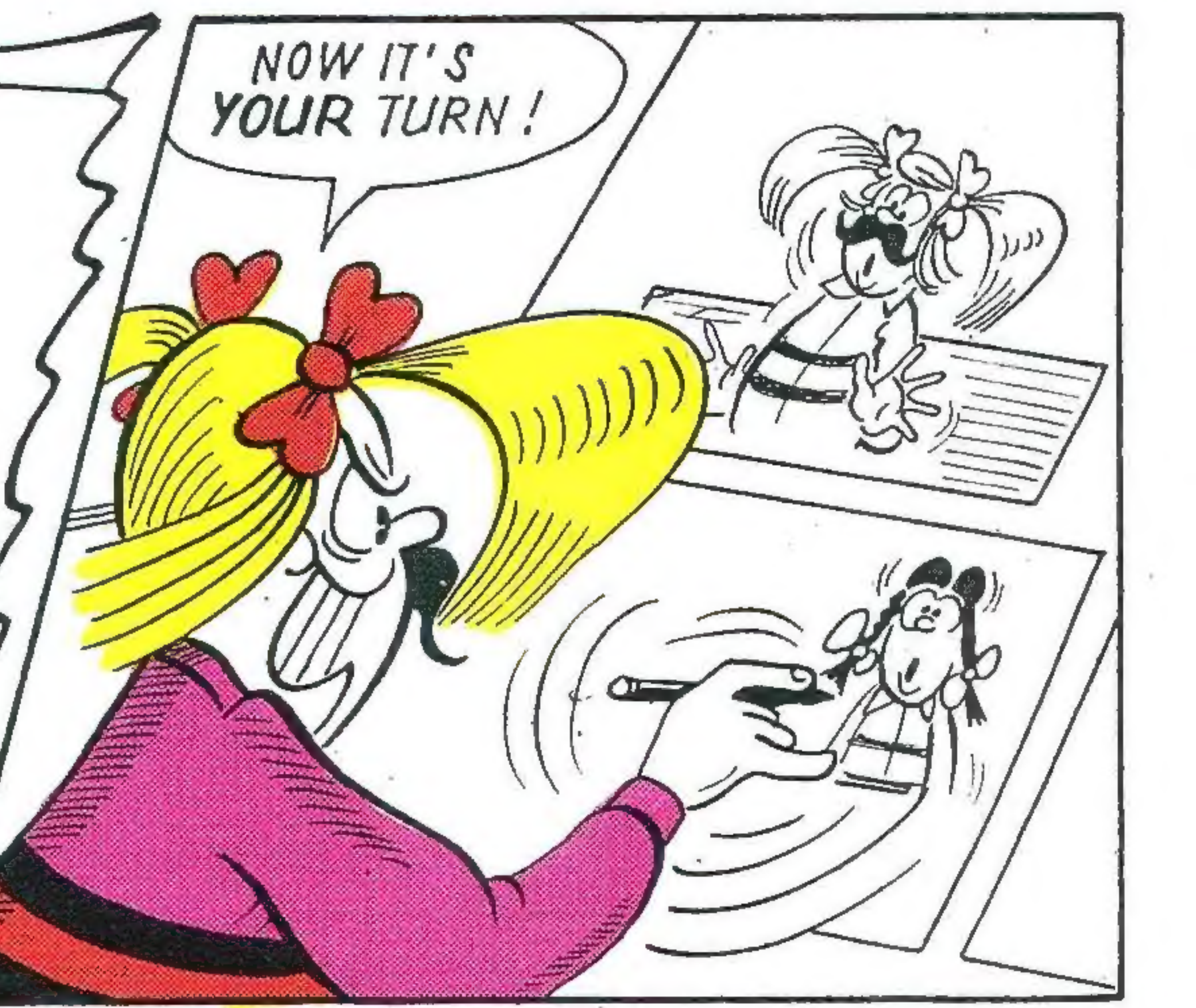
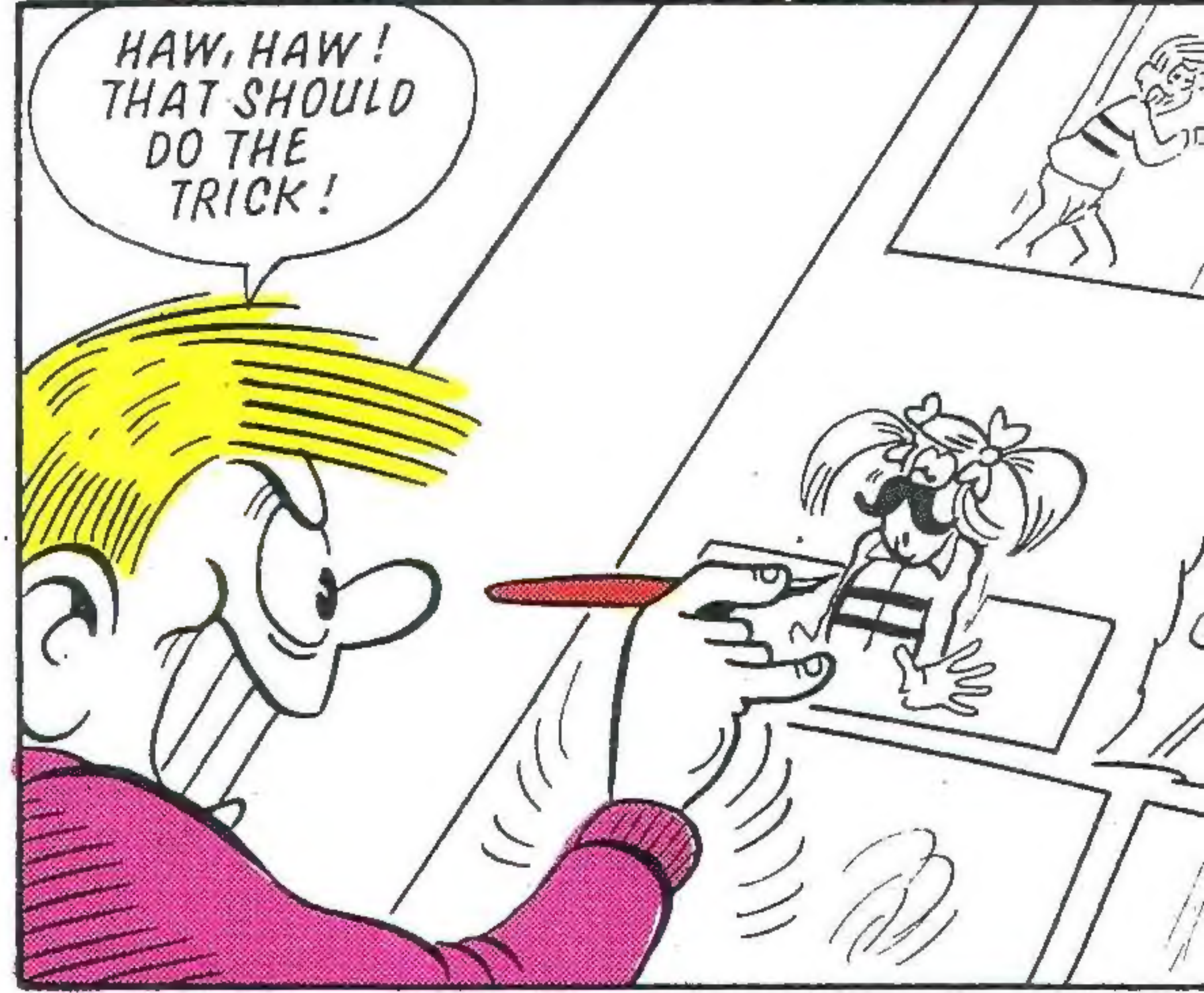
DOOM ZONES are collectable 'Horror In Your Hand' playscenes that can be played and enjoyed anywhere - in cars, trains, coaches or planes. As well as the three mentioned above, Mighty Max has to face more nasty situations in ARACHNOID, DOOM DRAGON and WOLFSHIP 7. All six DOOM ZONES are in the shops now!

Now, Mighty Max promised you the chance to win a DOOM ZONE of your own, and here it is. All you have to do is spot Max hiding in FOUR different comic strips in this week's issue (but DON'T count any appearances he makes on THIS page). When you have the names of the four different strips where Max has been spotted, write them down on a postcard, or the back of a sealed, empty envelope. Add your own name

and address, and send your entry to: MIGHTY MAX COMPETITION, BUSTER COMIC, P.O. BOX 184, CHELMSFORD, ESSEX, CM1 3XB. Entries should arrive by Friday, 7th May, which is the closing date. Senders of the first 75 all-correct entries drawn at random after that date will each win a MIGHTY MAX DOOM ZONE. Usual BUSTER competition rules apply. The Editor's decision is final.



DOUBLE TROUBLE

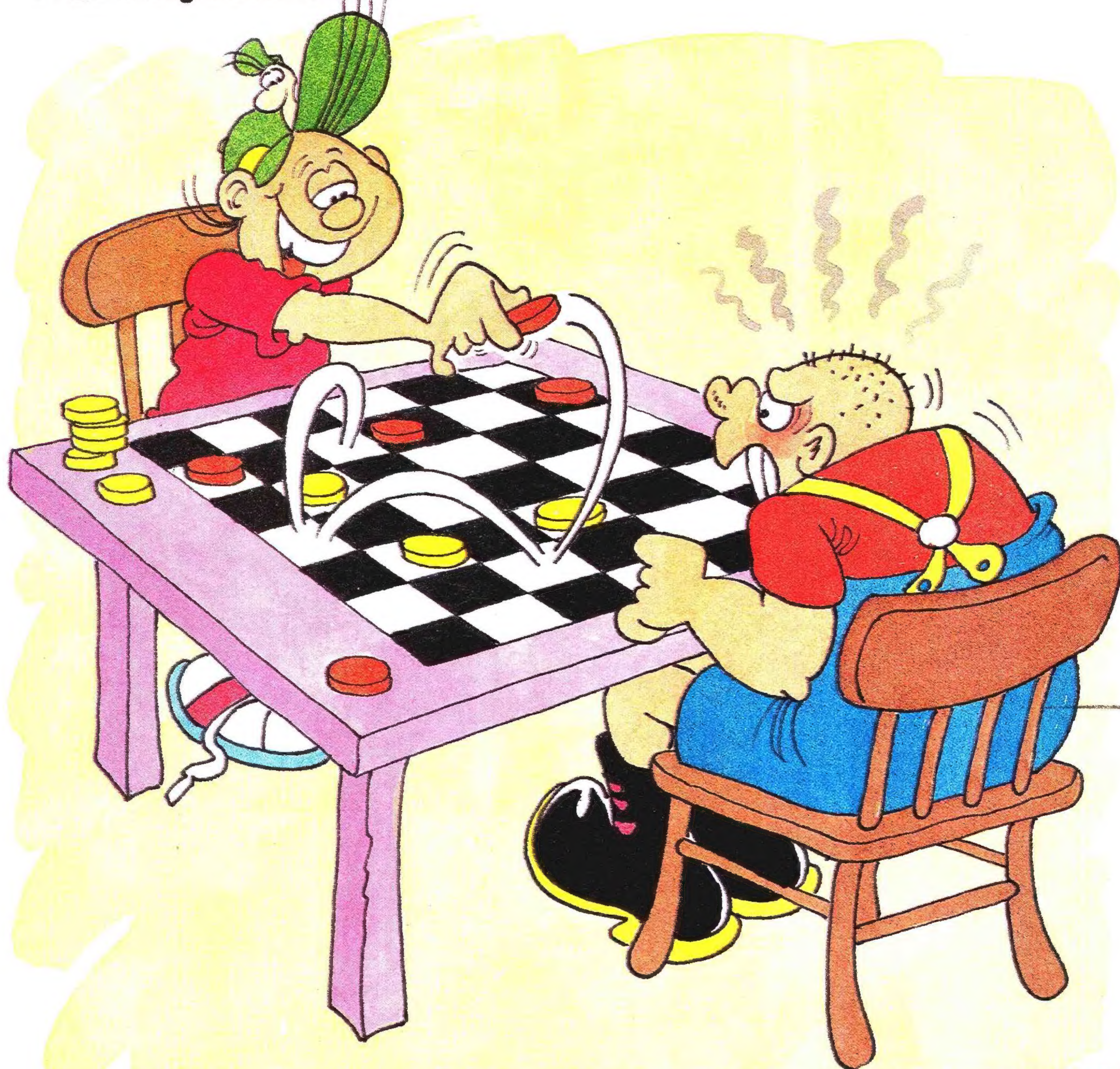


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MINI DRAUGHTS WITH

Buster

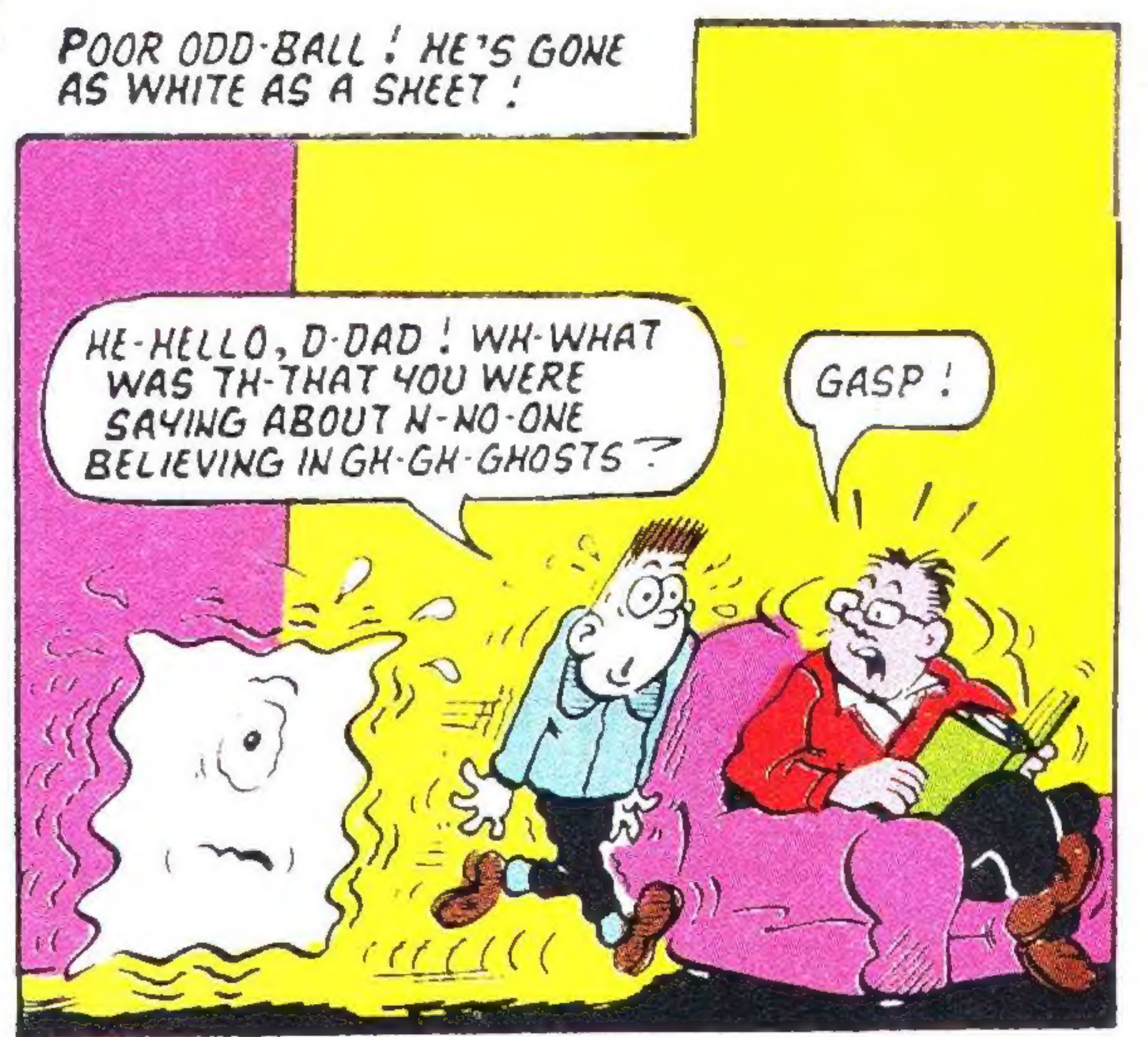
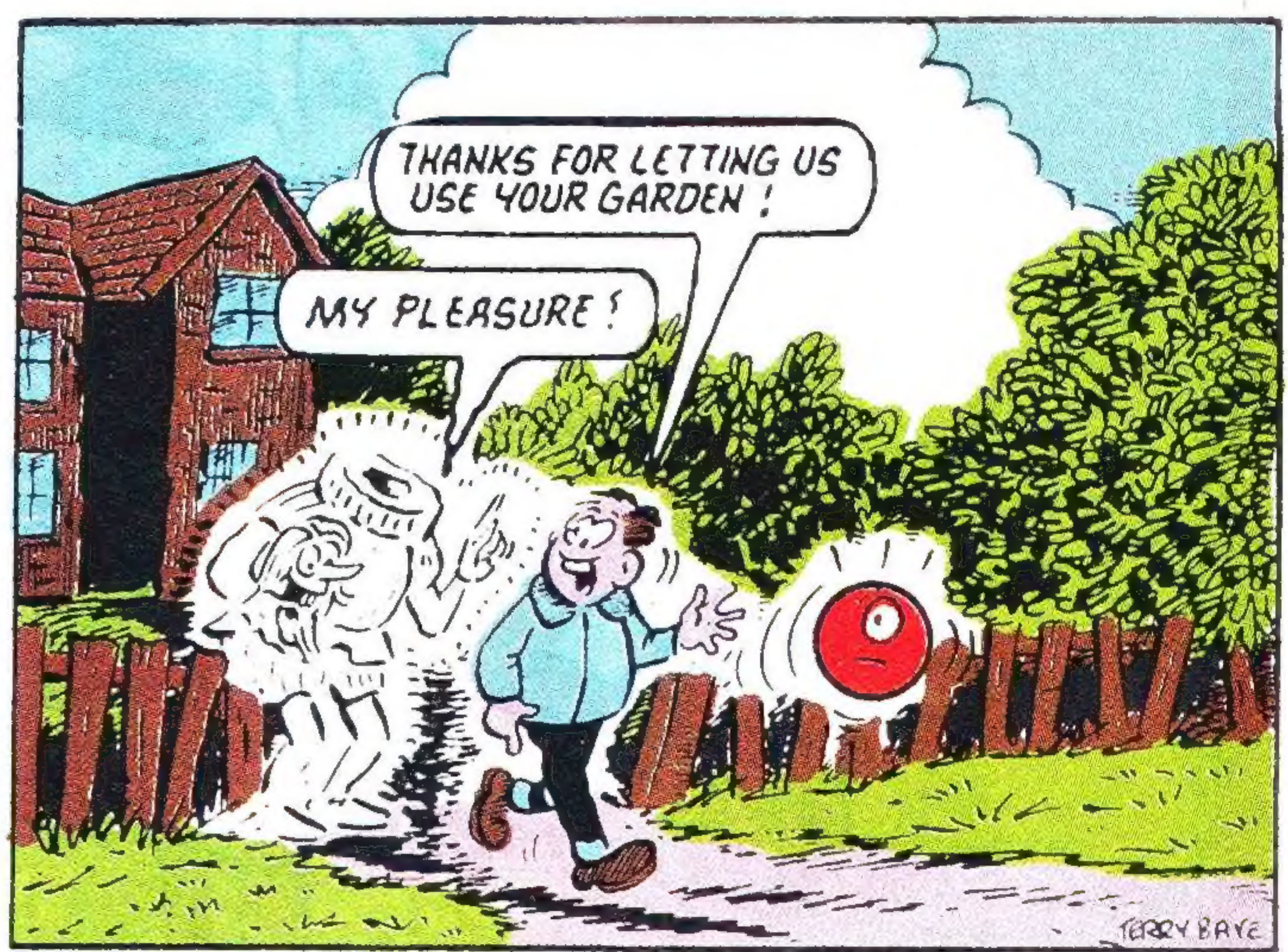
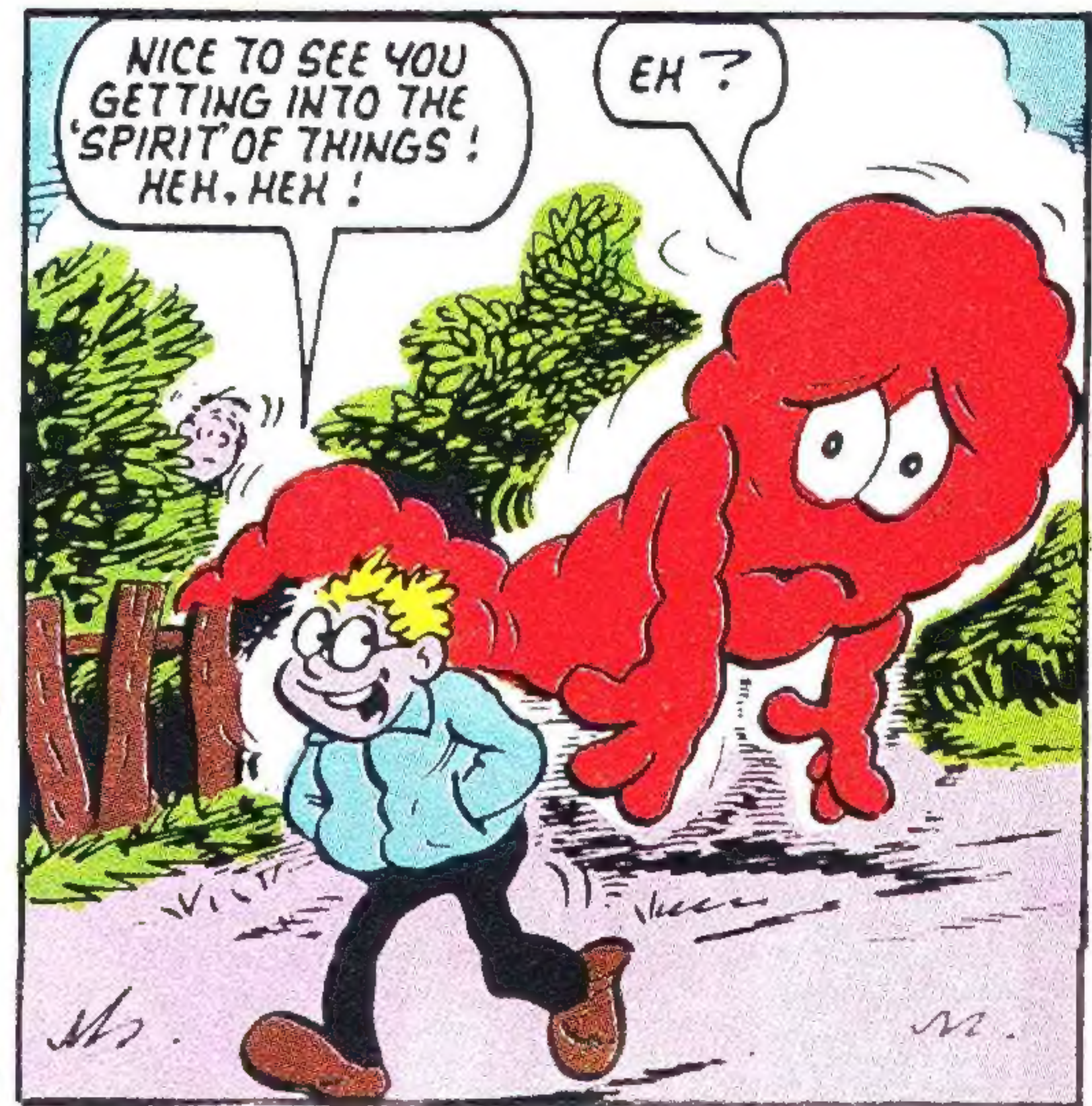
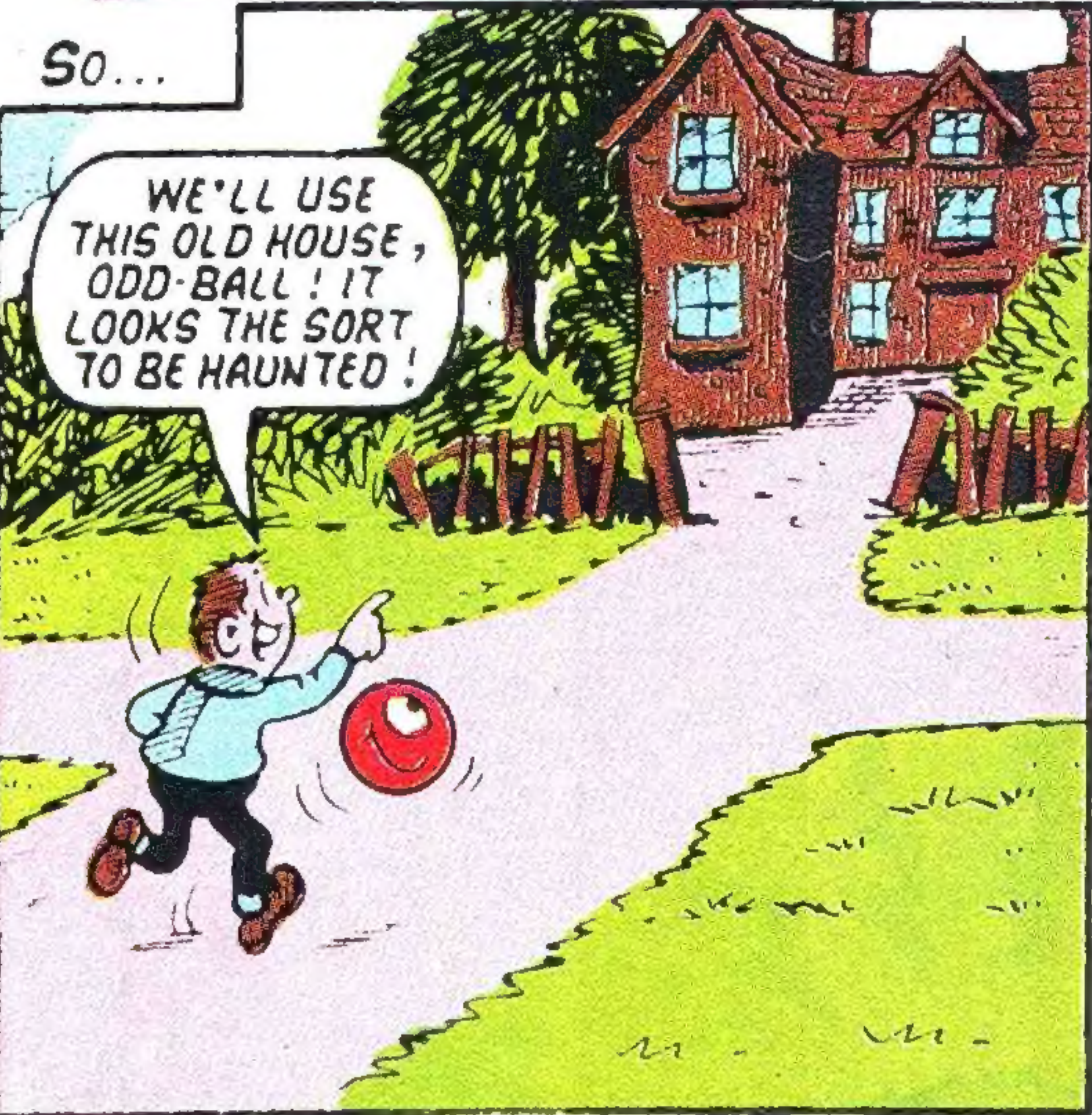
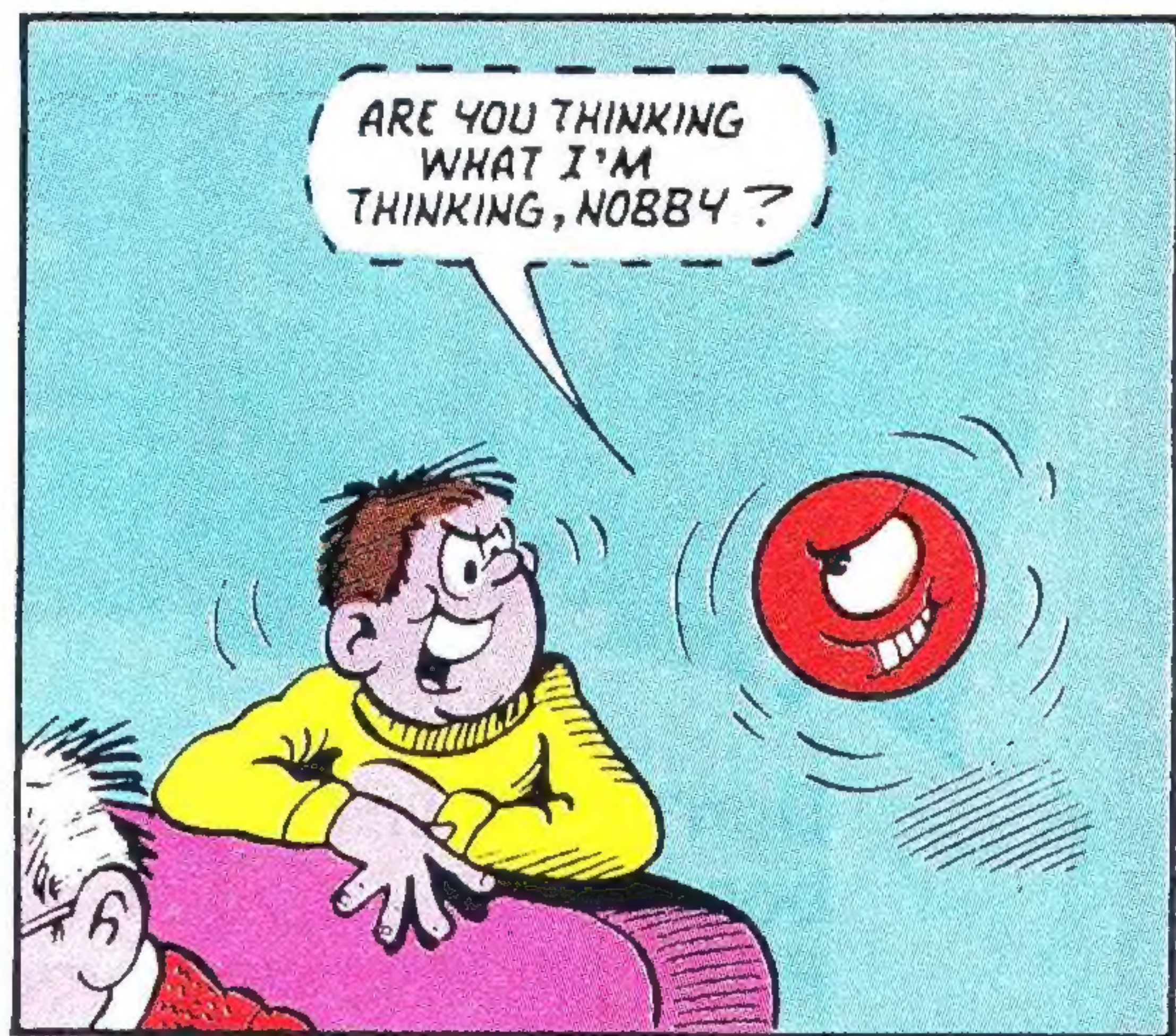
Don't miss your next Buster and get this great FREE gift: A set of Mini Draughts and a board to play it on. Draughts is a game you can play again and again. And because this FREE gift is so small you can take your game anywhere you want to. Just think, you can take it to school to play during breaks, or on holiday to play on the beach. And in the following issue of Buster there will be a Buster Babble game for you to play using your FREE draught counters.

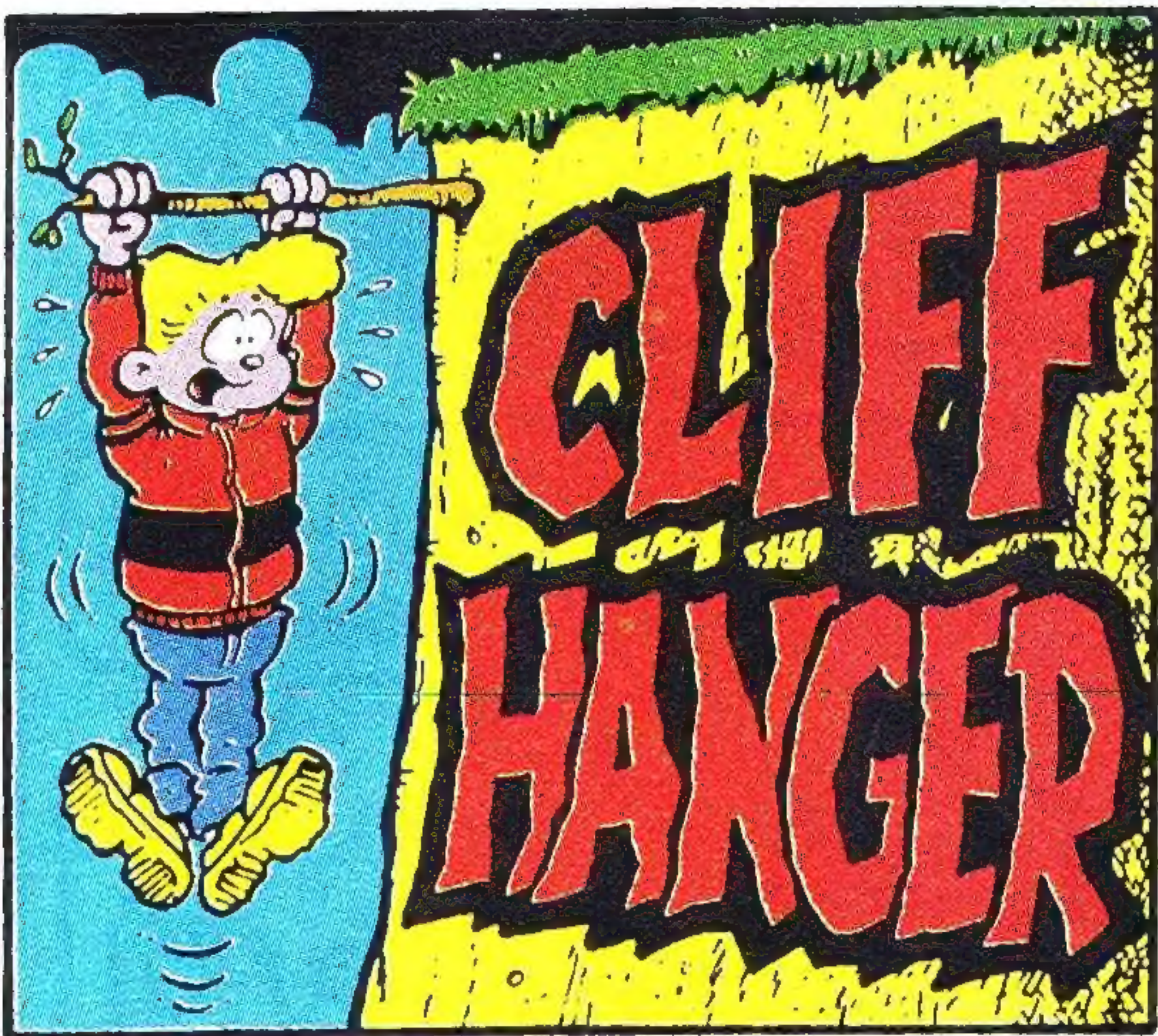


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CLIFF HANGER

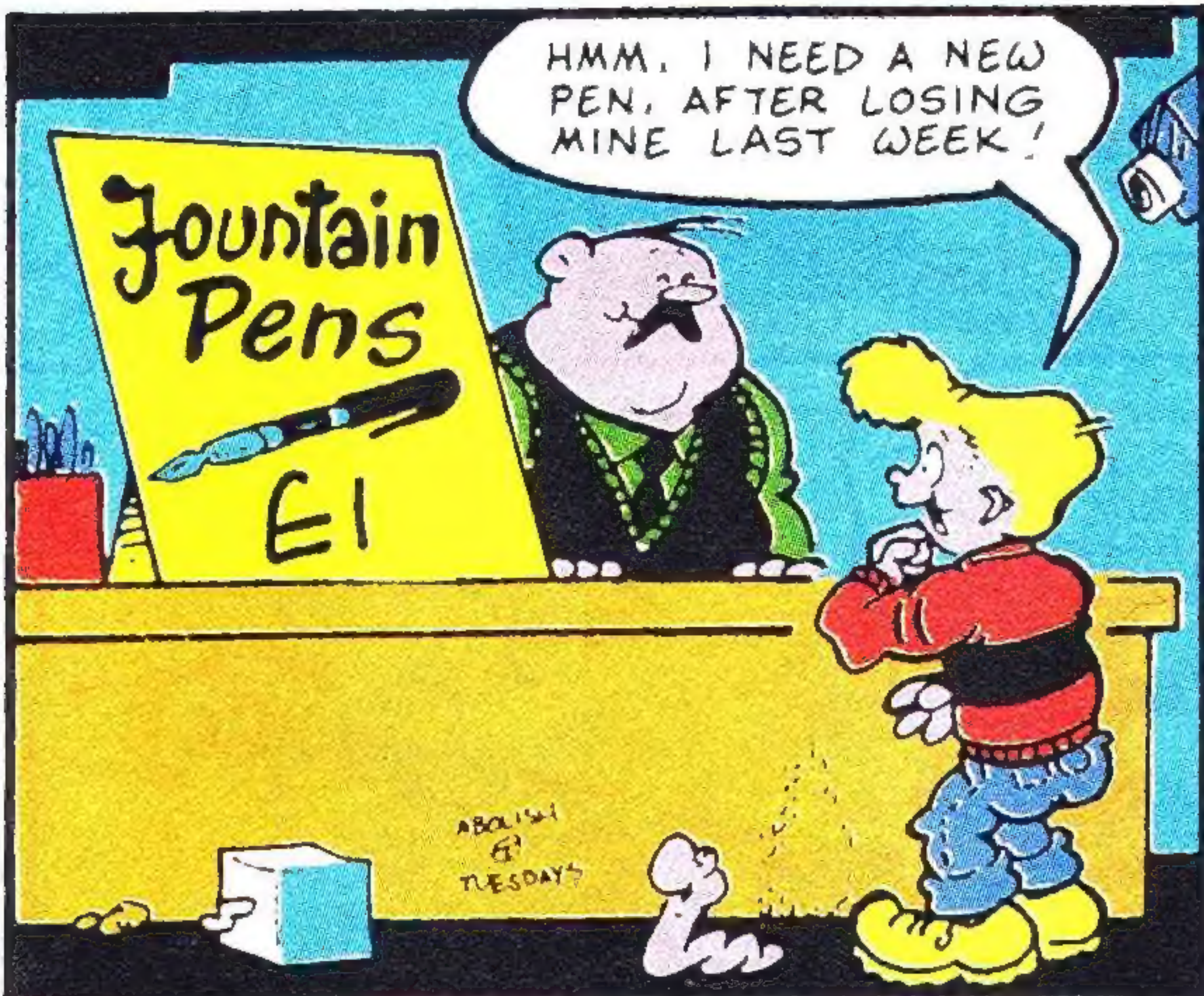


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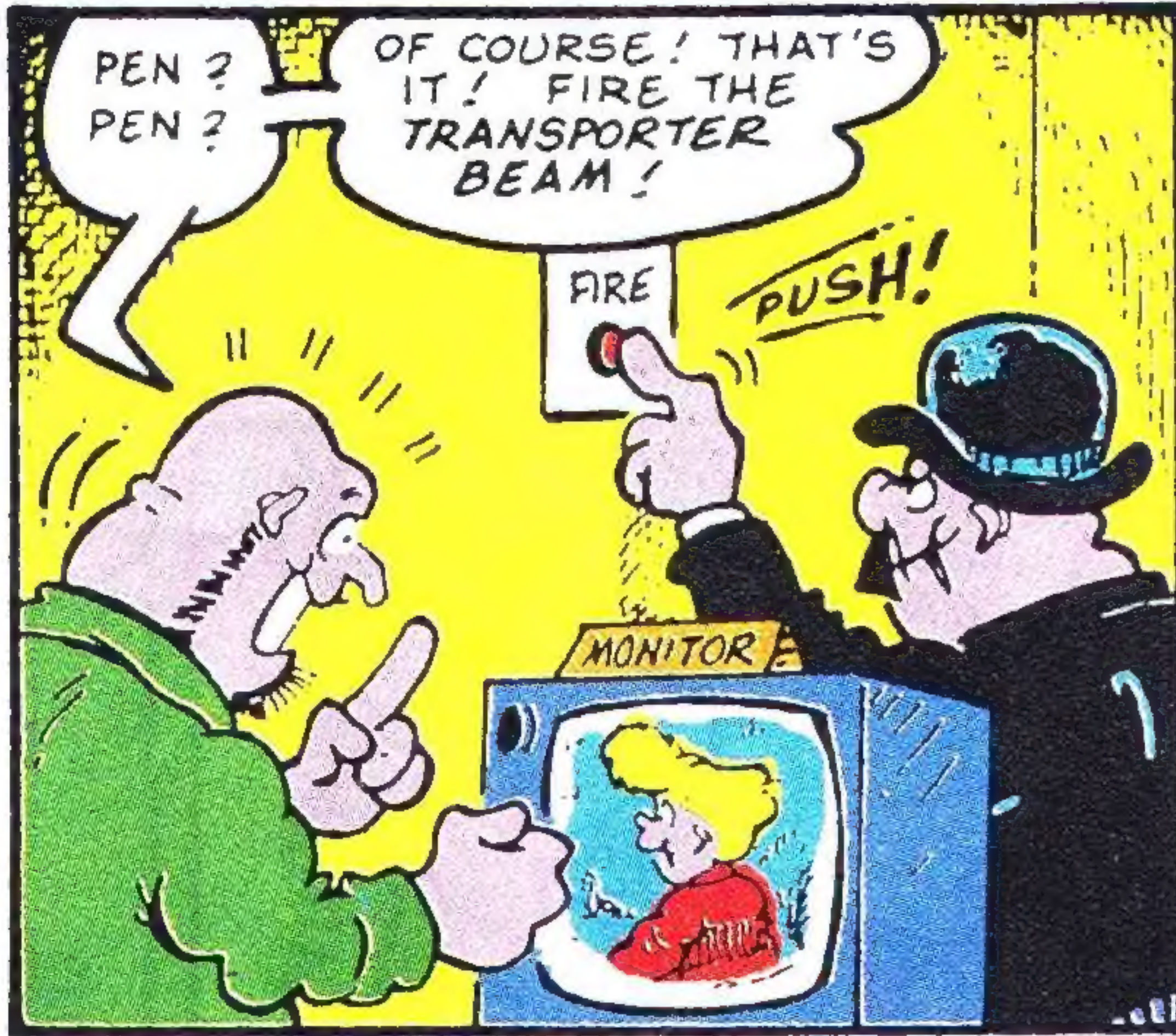
CURSES! WE CAN'T THINK OF A TRAP FOR CLIFF HANGER THIS WEEK!



LET'S JUST HAVE A LOOK AT THE MONITOR AND SEE WHAT HE'S DOING!



HMM, I NEED A NEW PEN, AFTER LOSING MINE LAST WEEK!

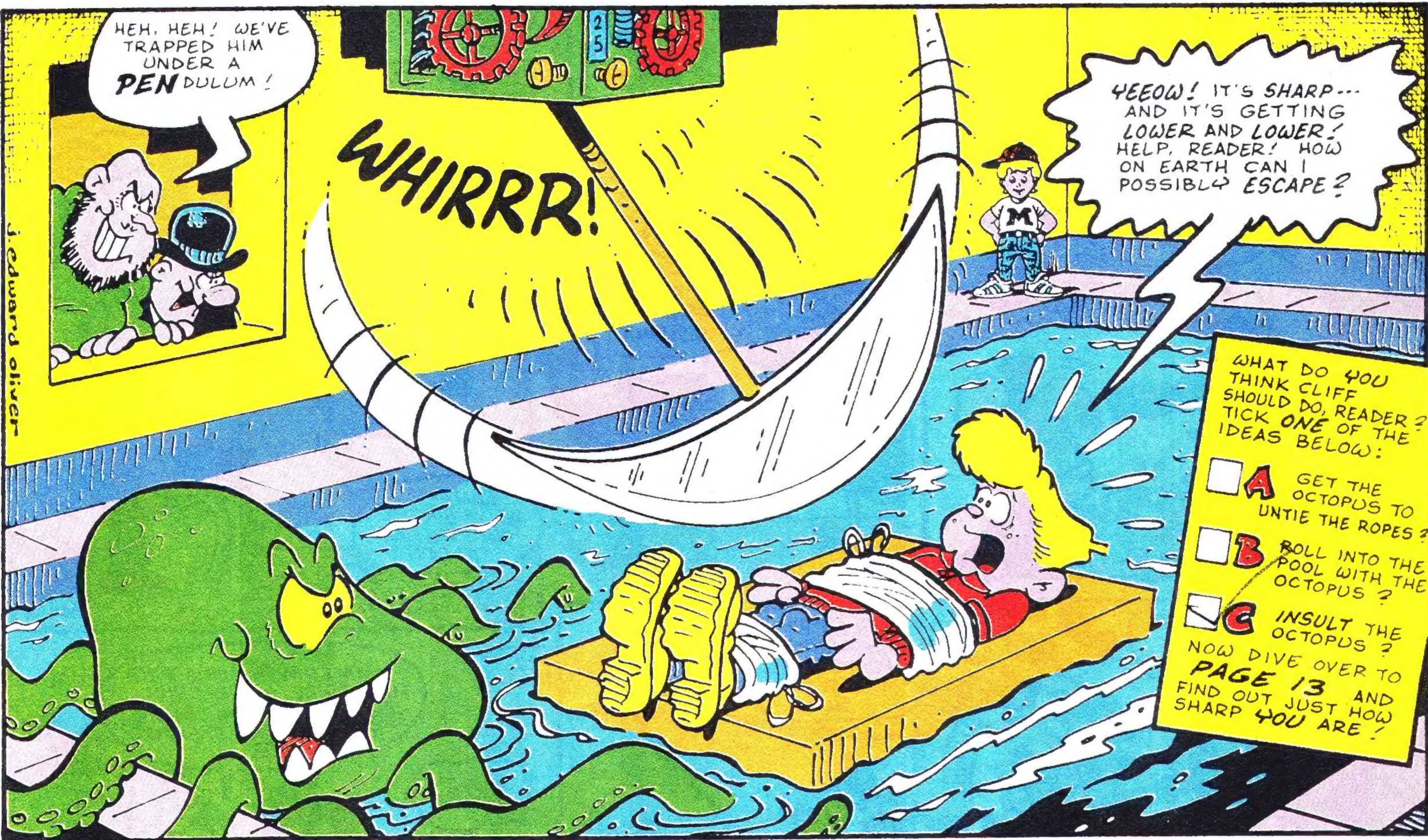
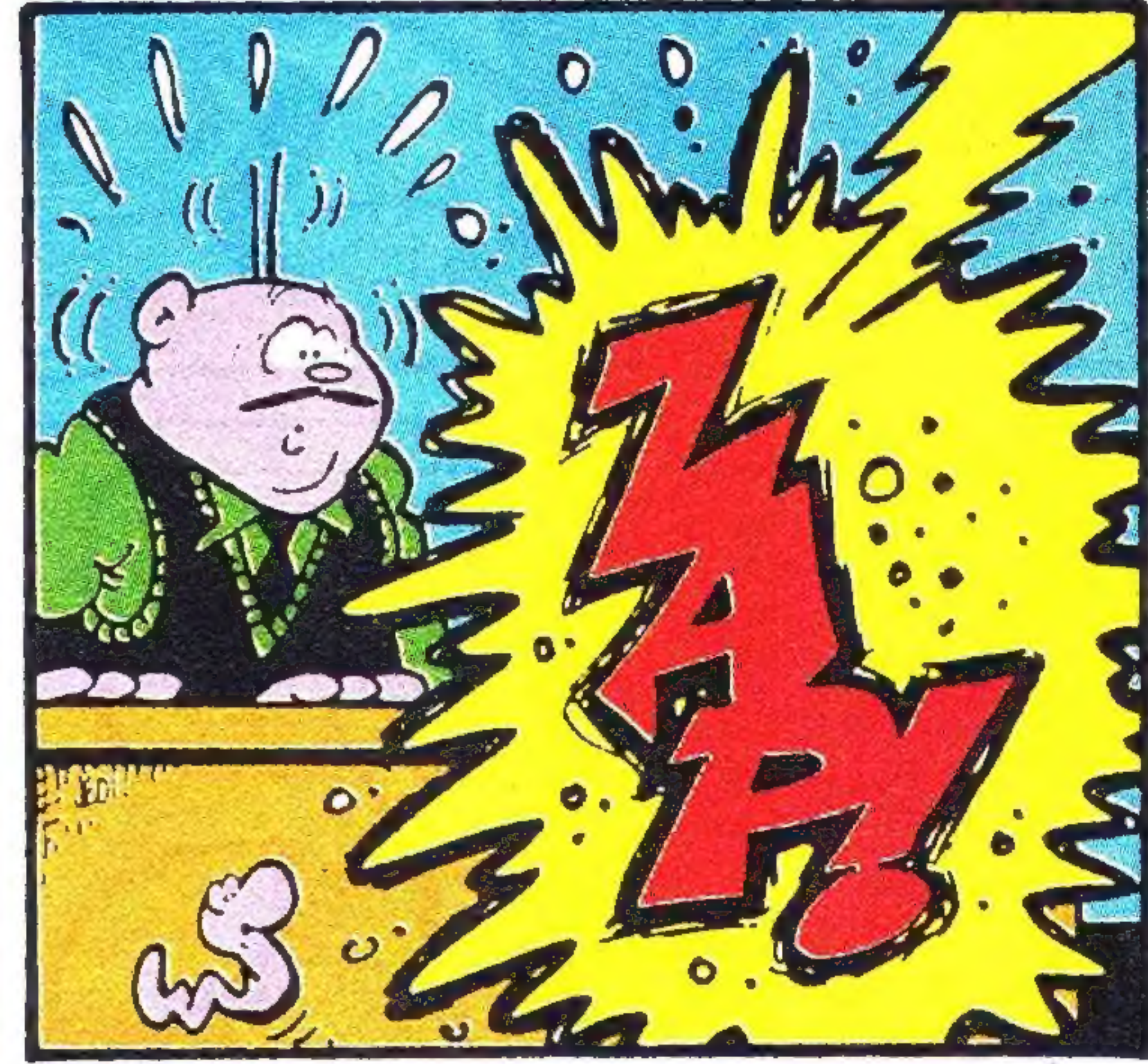


PEN? PEN?

OF COURSE! THAT'S IT! FIRE THE TRANSPORTER BEAM!

FIRE

PUSH!



HEH, HEH! WE'VE TRAPPED HIM UNDER A PEN DULUM!

YEEOW! IT'S SHARP... AND IT'S GETTING LOWER AND LOWER! HELP, READER! HOW ON EARTH CAN I POSSIBLY ESCAPE?

WHAT DO YOU THINK CLIFF SHOULD DO, READER? TICK ONE OF THE IDEAS BELOW:

- ☐ A GET THE OCTOPUS TO UNTIE THE ROPES?
 - ☐ B ROLL INTO THE POOL WITH THE OCTOPUS?
 - ☒ C INSULT THE OCTOPUS?
- NOW DIVE OVER TO PAGE 13 AND FIND OUT JUST HOW SHARP YOU ARE!

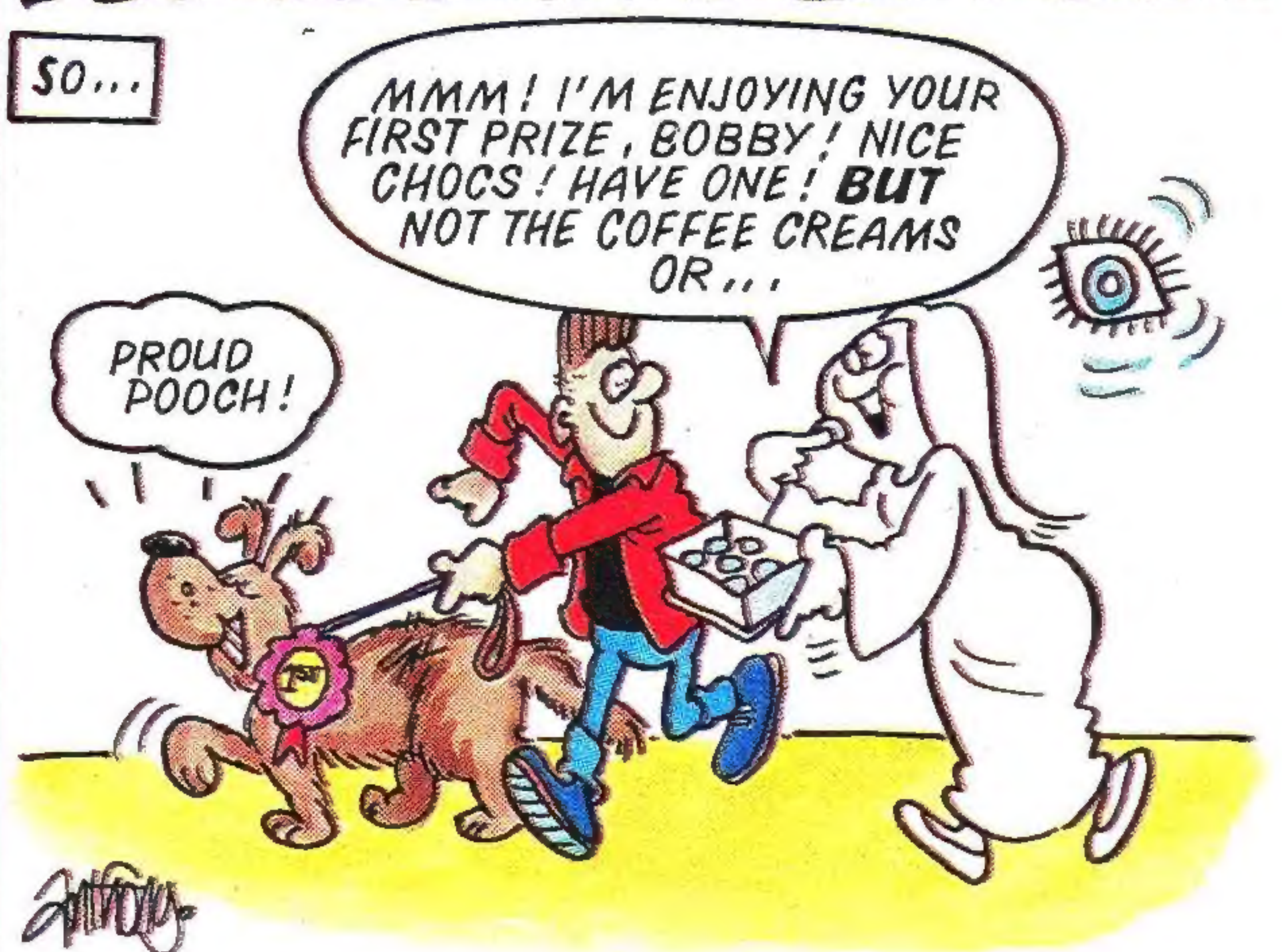
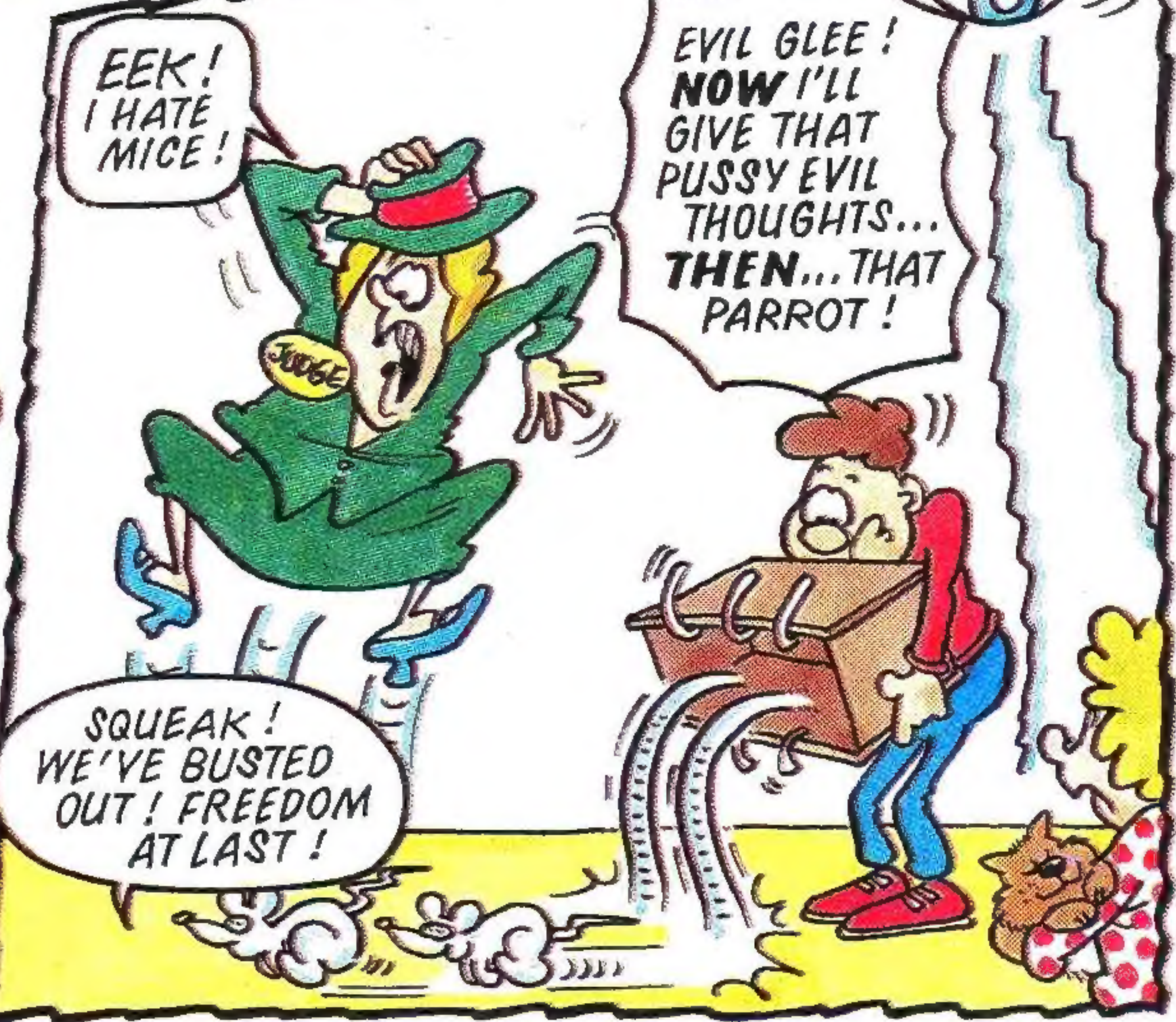
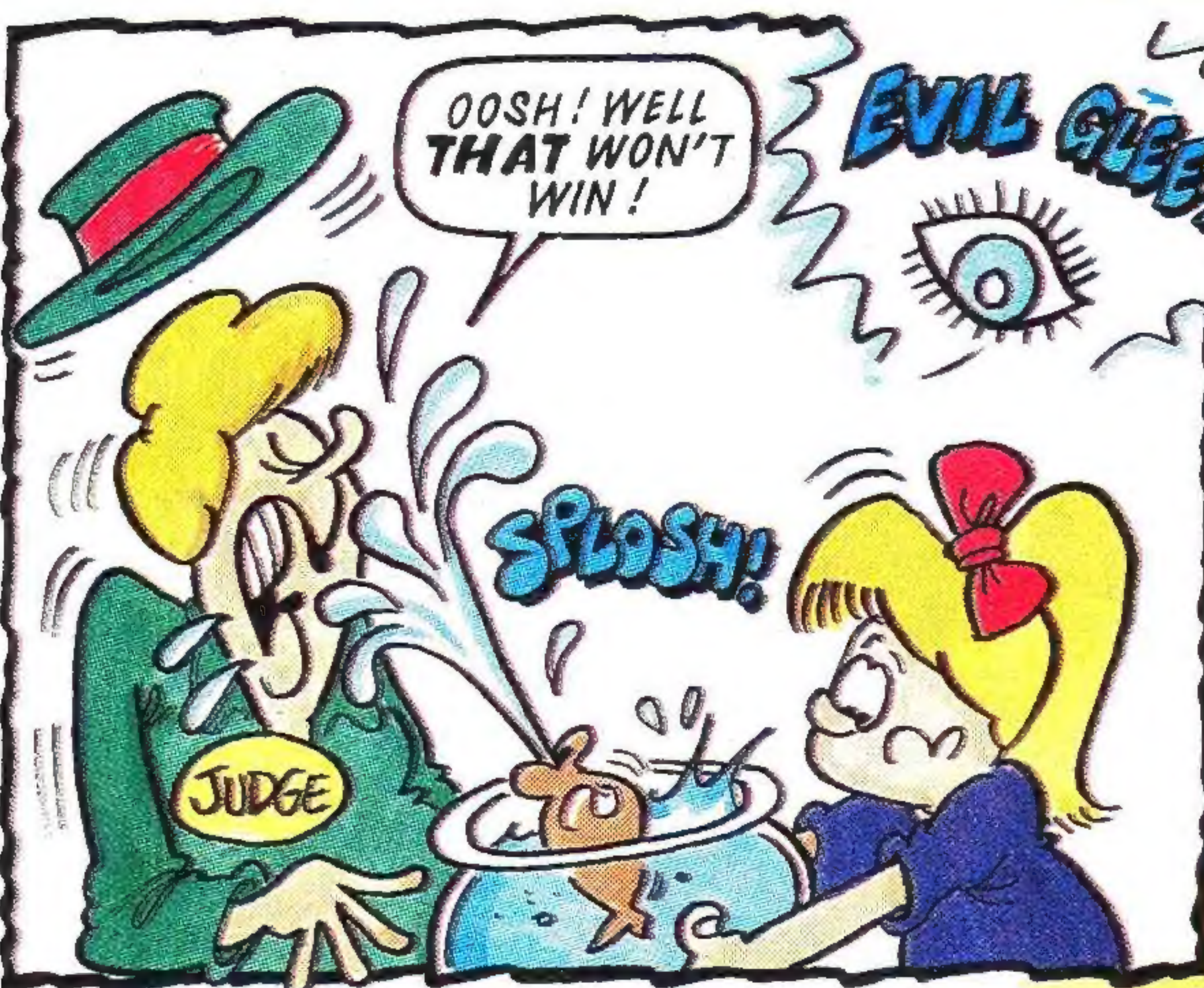
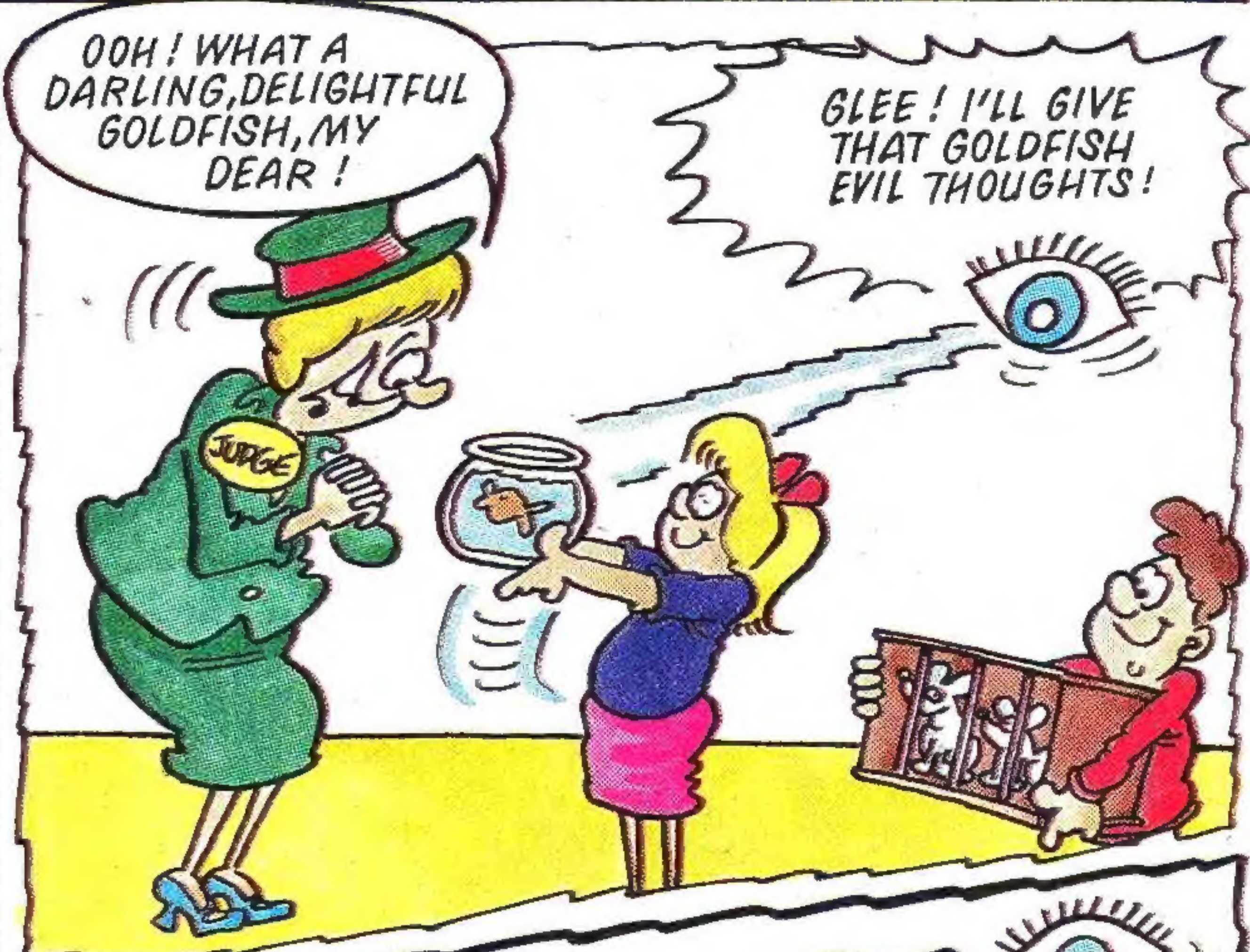
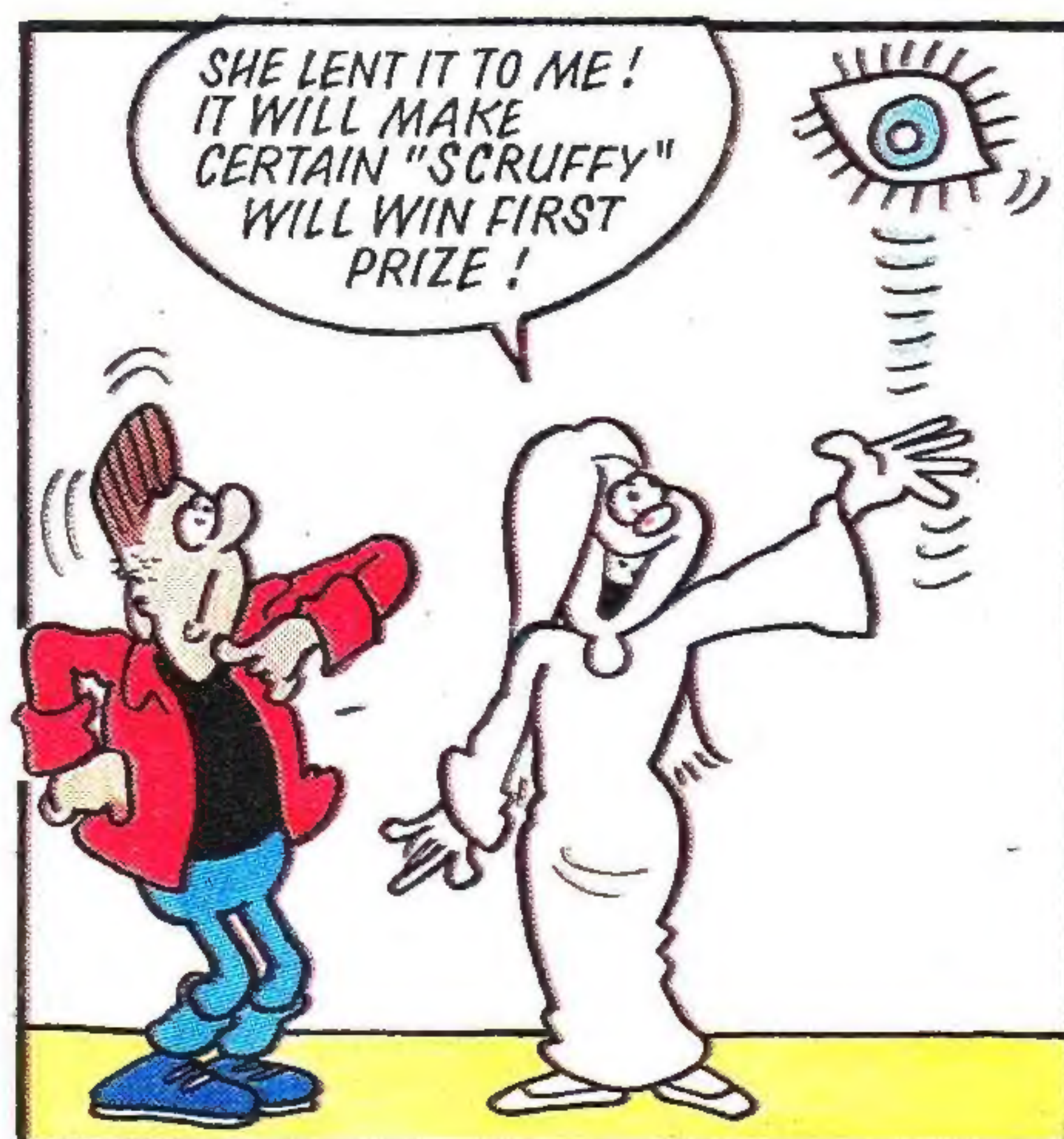
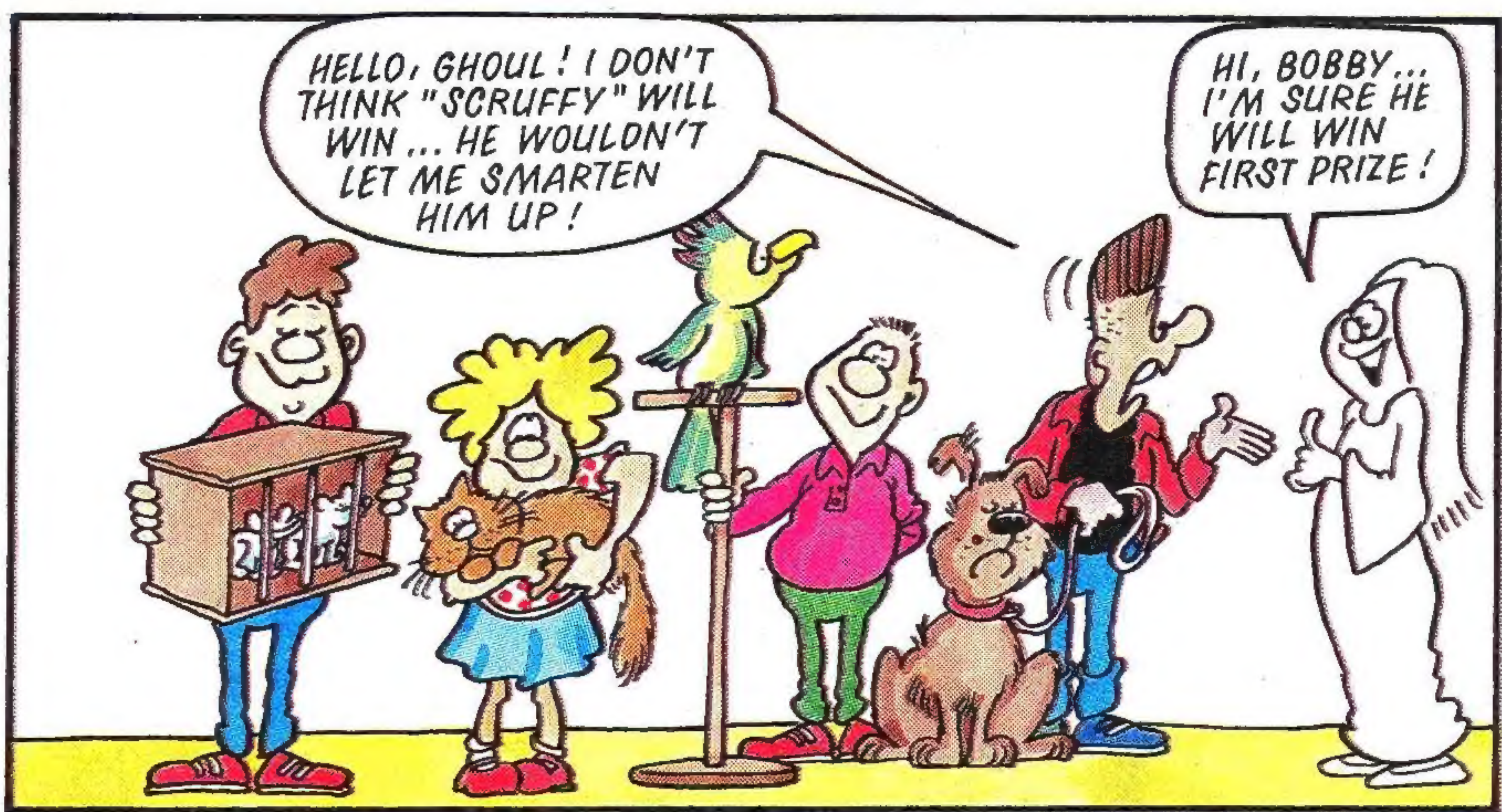


ONLY YOU CAN SAVE CLIFF HANGERS

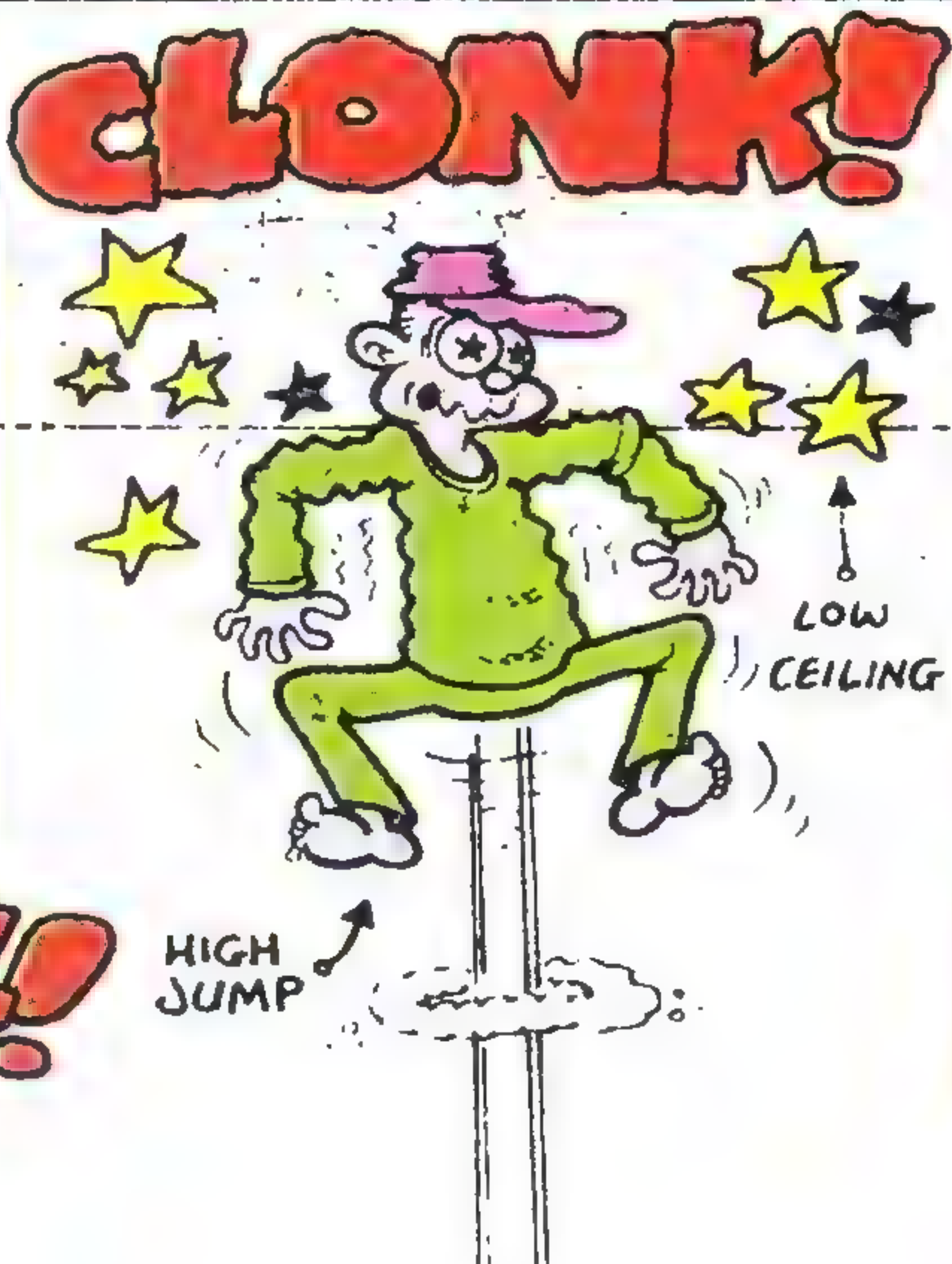
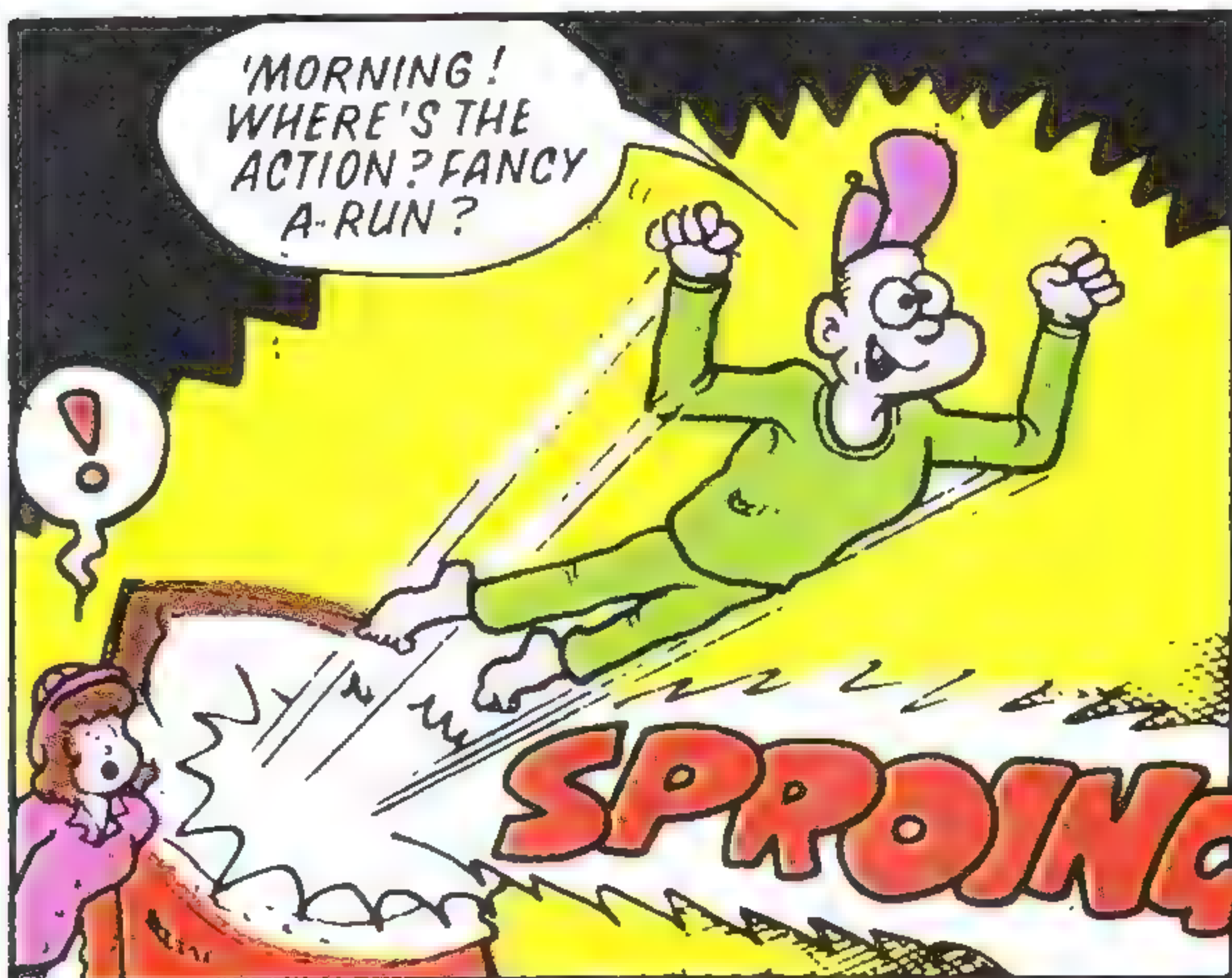
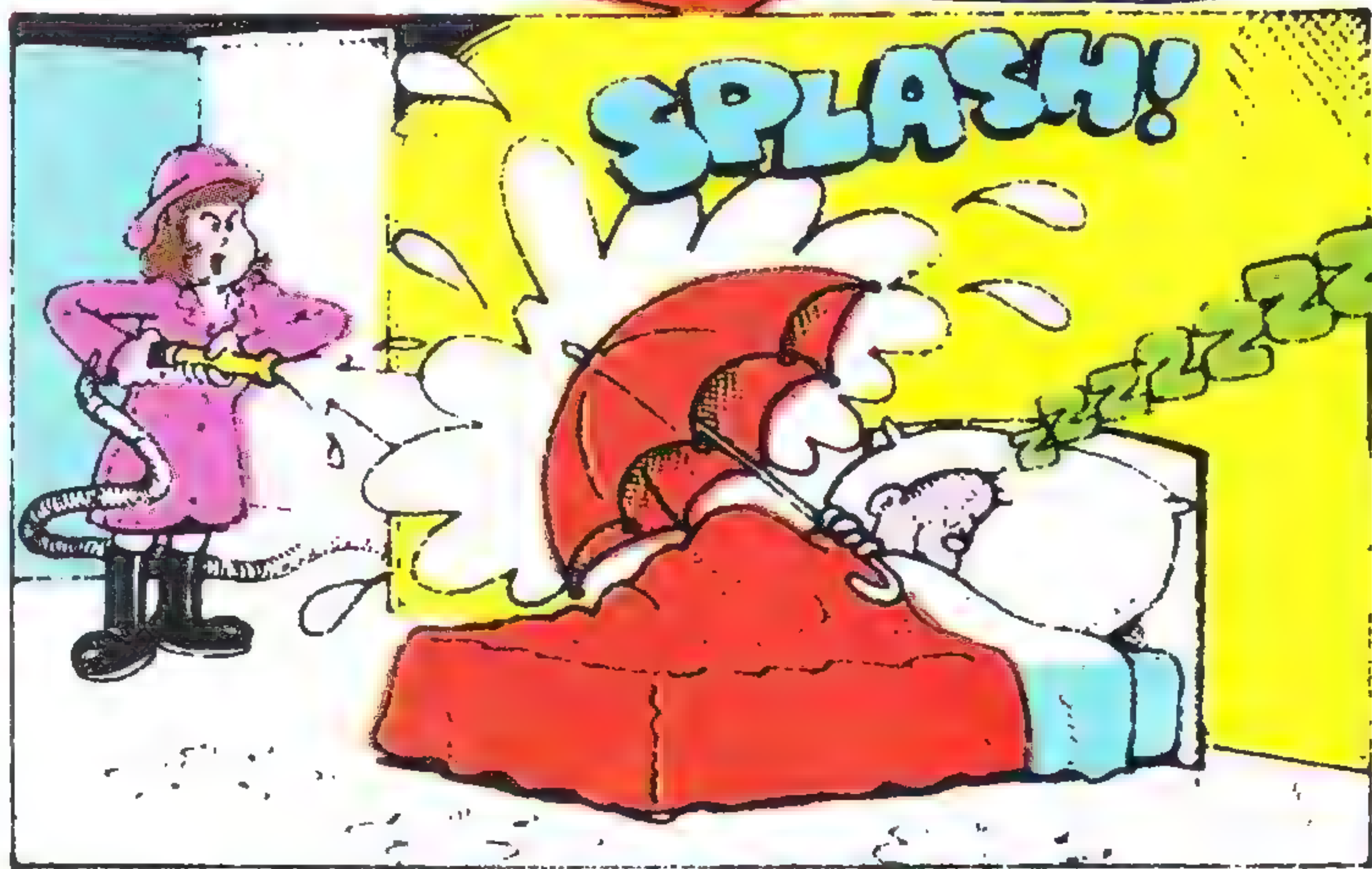
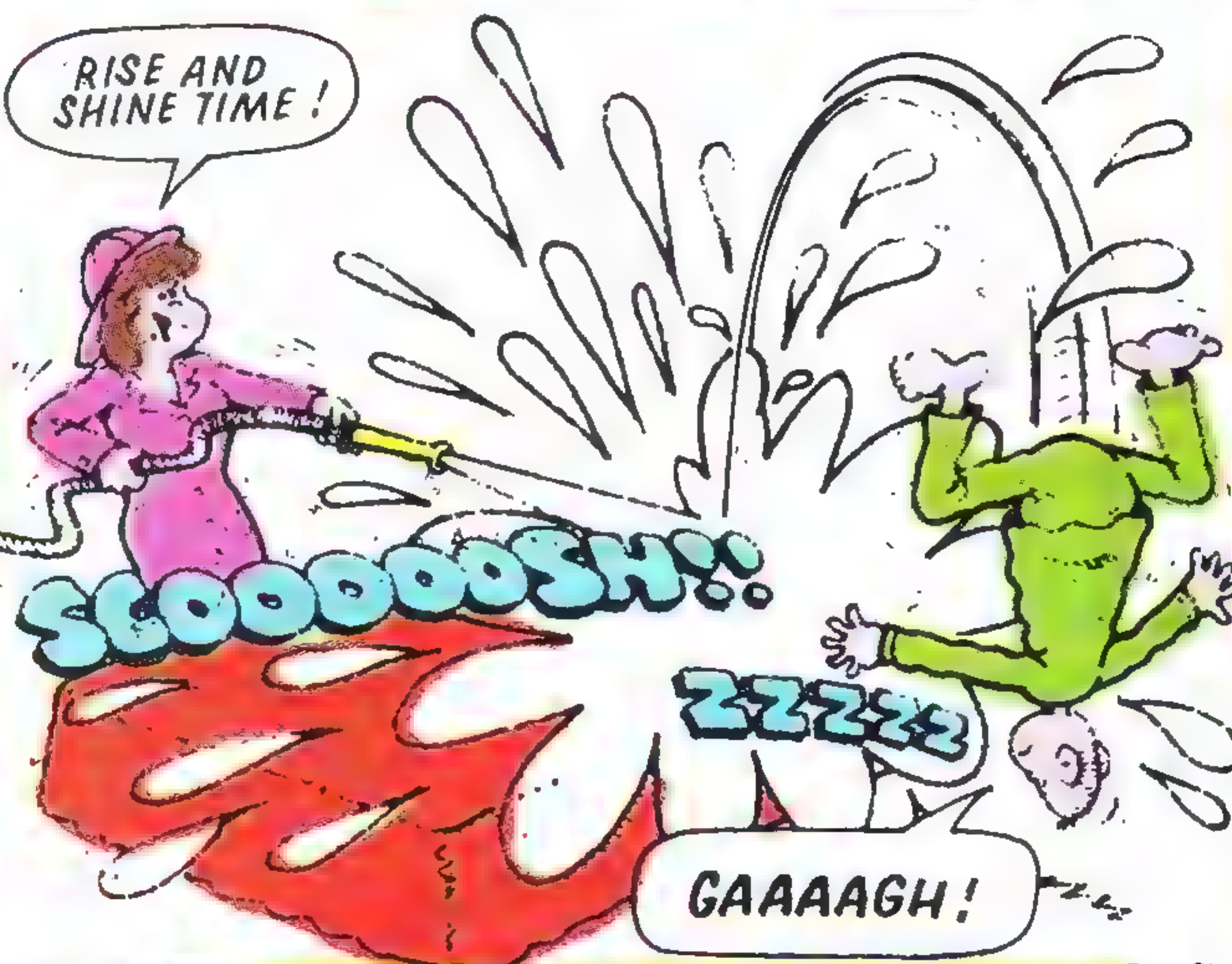
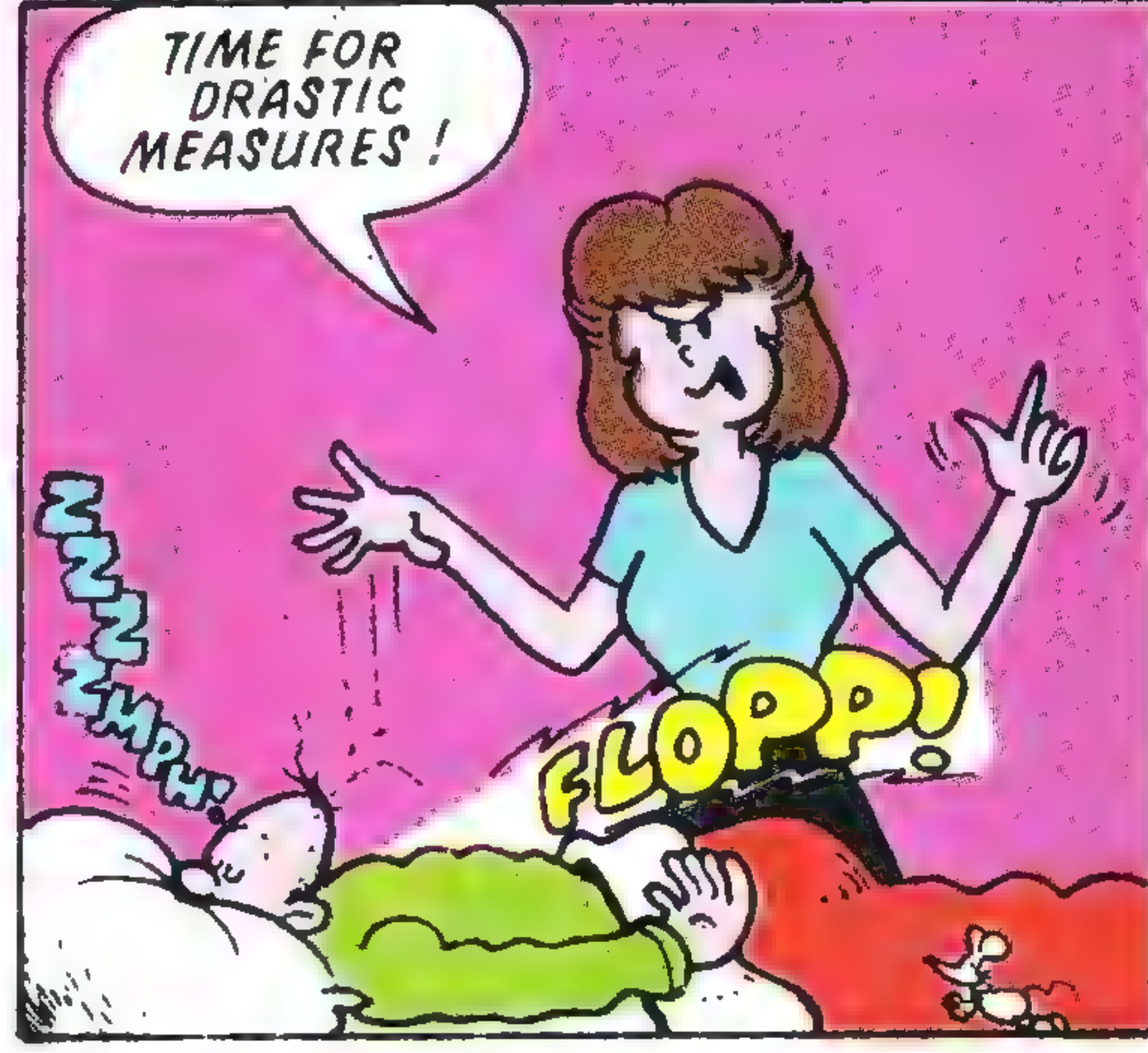
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WHY ARE
YOU SO
HAPPY?

TEACHER SAYS WE CAN
CHOOSE "BUSTER"
FOR OUR READING
ASSIGNMENT!

SCHOOL



PERSONALLY, I'D
RATHER COME OUT
IN THE DRY
SEASON!

Dear Buster,

My friend in Jersey posts
BUSTER to me in Zambia. Does
anyone else's comic travel as far?

Where we live, you can't
buy toys - we have to make our
own. We see lots of different
coloured lizards and insects, and,
in the wet season, **SNAKES!!!**

My dad works as a doctor
in the hospital, but we are coming
home to England in June.

- MARTYN STEINER, KATETE,
ZAMBIA.

...Then you'll be able to buy your
own **BUSTER**, Martyn!

Dear Buster,

Please "KARTOON" my cousin, David. He keeps
screaming and shouting "Beano is best!". I think
he deserves to be Kartooned, don't you?

- NICHOLAS RUDD, GALLEYWOOD, CHELMSFORD.
...Yes. I also think he deserves to be **PITIED!**

Dear Buster,

My name is Angela. I went to Amber
Gate School in Grantham, which is a special
school.

I buy **BUSTER** to help me with my
reading. It is good and helps me a lot thank
you.

I am 23 years old and I get funny looks
when I read **BUSTER**, but I don't care, because
it is very funny.

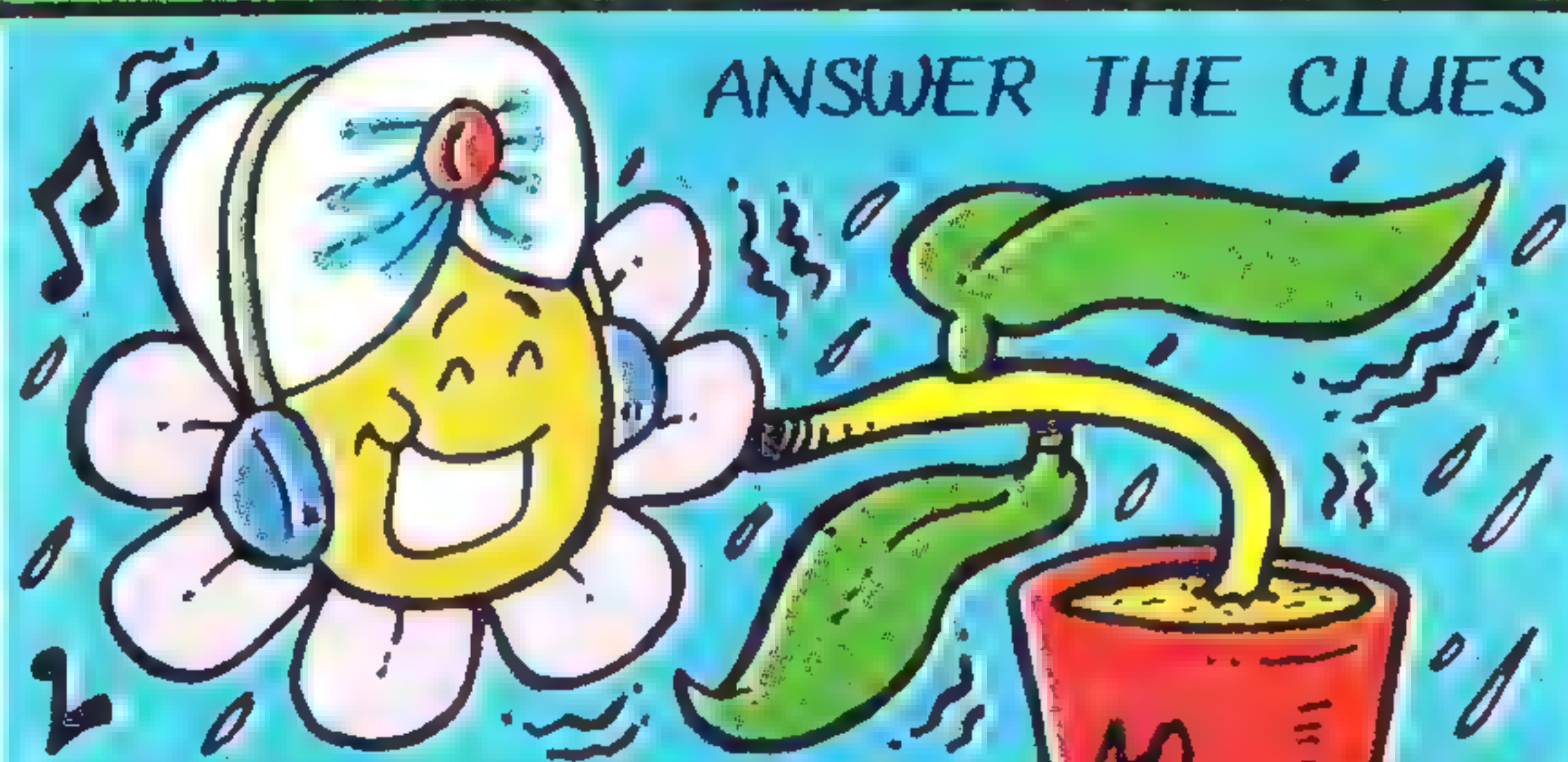
My favourite pages are X Ray Specs, The
Winners and Chalky, but I do like all of them.
Thanks again. Please don't stop.

- ANGELA BATES, THORNEY, NEWARK.

...Nice to hear from you, Angela, and I'm
delighted to hear how helpful **BUSTER** Comic is
to you! Long may you enjoy it!



Busterword



ANSWER THE CLUES ACROSS, AND THE DIAGONALS
WILL SPELL TWO NUMBERS!

CLUES ACROSS:

- Twice forty.
- House ones are grown in pots.
- A "Walkman" is a Personal
- Shake with cold.
- Brief spell of rain.
- Headdress worn by Sikhs.

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Entries should arrive by 4th
May, 1993, which is the
closing date. The senders of
the first four correct entries
drawn from the postbag after
that date will each win £5.00!

Send your drawings, rhymes, messages, puzzles, cartoons, jokes, etc. to: **BUSTER'S PIN-BOARD**, Buster Comic, Fleetway Editions, P.O. Box 164, Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 3XB.

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Do you know about the boy who was named after his father? He was called "Dad".
-Jonathan Hannah, Cumnock.

What do you call a short vampire?
A PAIN in the Knee.
From Richard Cameron, Tilehurst



DEAR BUSTER,
PLEASE CAN YOU PRINT MY PIC OF CAPTAIN CRUCIAL. I'D ALSO LIKE TO SAY THAT I'D GIVE BUSTER 50 OUT OF 10, 'COS IT'S THE TOPS!
FROM MAX FOWERAKER, WIVENHOE.

Dear Buster.
Mega please could you print my picture of Tom Thug, which took me ages to draw on my Amiga 500. -Robert Cheek, Winsley.



All readers featured in this week's Pin Board and "Dear Buster" will receive the usual £2 prize PLUS a brilliant BAD EGGZ BUNCH BONUS: A three-pack of eggs to crack open and reveal the contents freaky creatures, dripping with goopy slime!

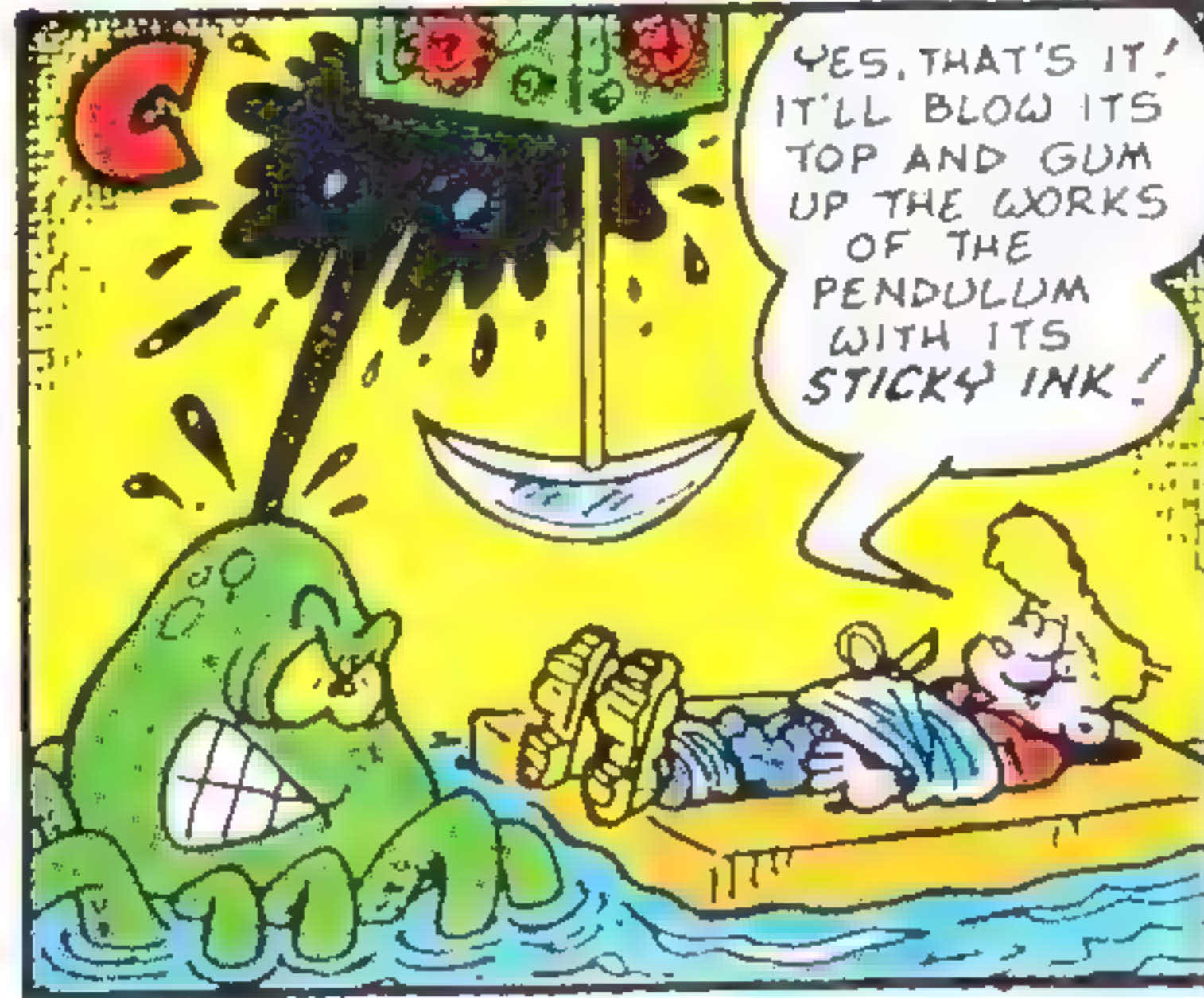
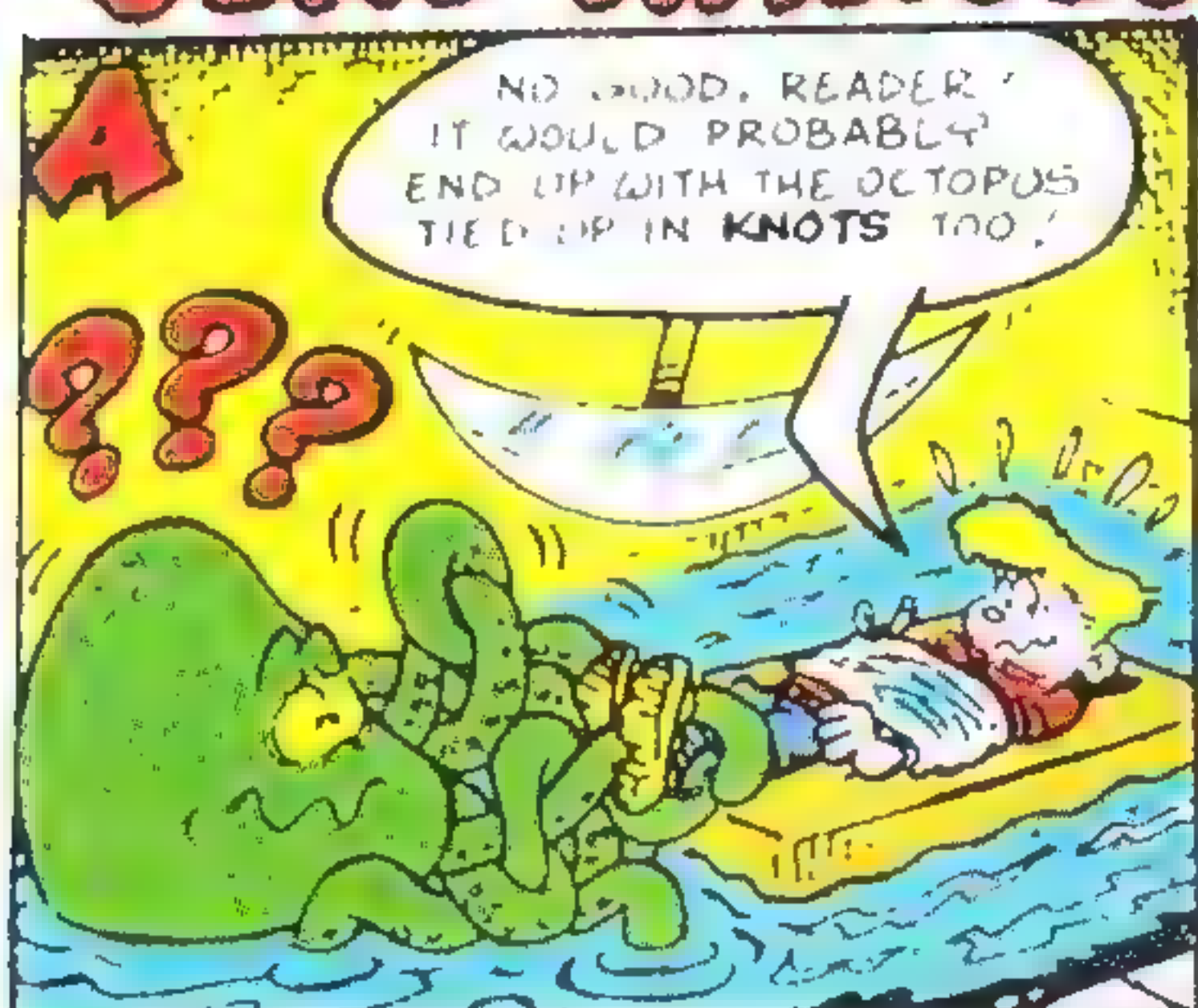


BUSTER BIRTHDAYS

19 APR - STEPHEN WANT (age 18), HARROGATE.
19 APR - NIGEL LYNN, PILGRIM'S HATCH.
20 APR - KILLIAN MORIARITY (age 11), LISTOWEL.
23 APR - ELIZABETH TYZACK (age 10), HULL.

CLIFF HANGER

DID YOU HELP CLIFF HANGER TO MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICE, READER? MATCH UP THE LETTER TO THE BOX YOU TICKED!

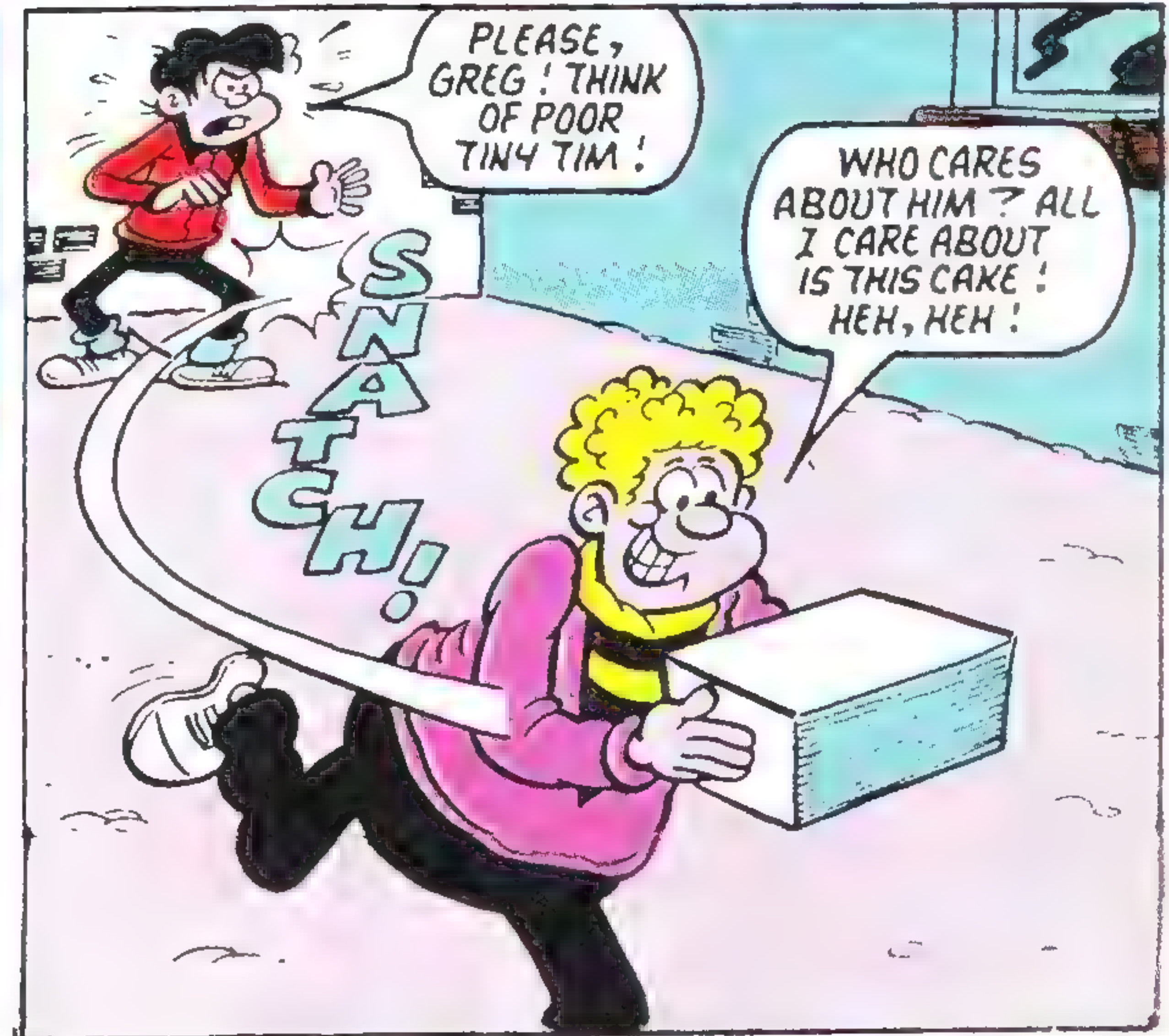
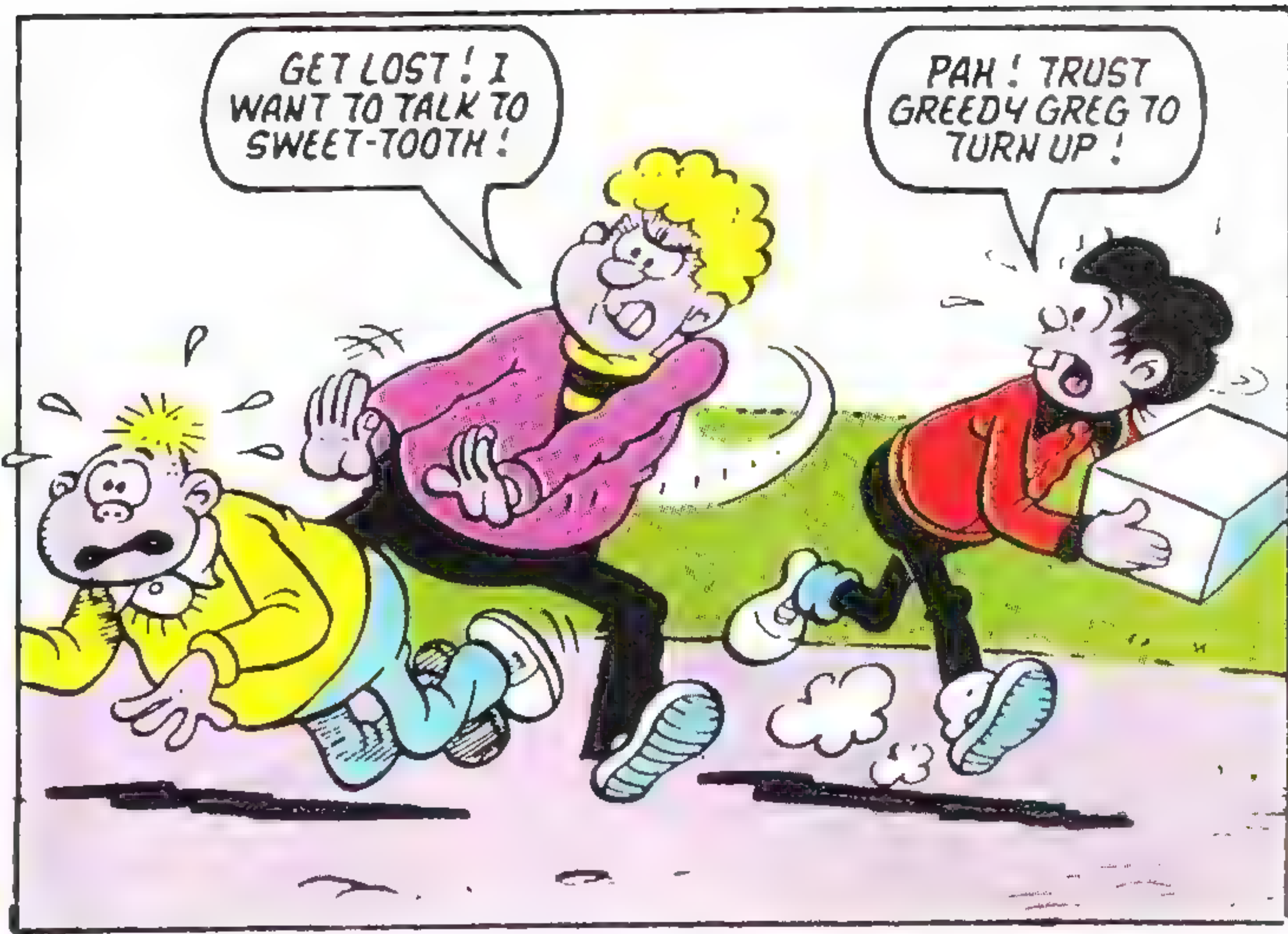


PLEASE FILL IN AND SEND THIS COUPON WHENEVER YOU WRITE TO BUSTER

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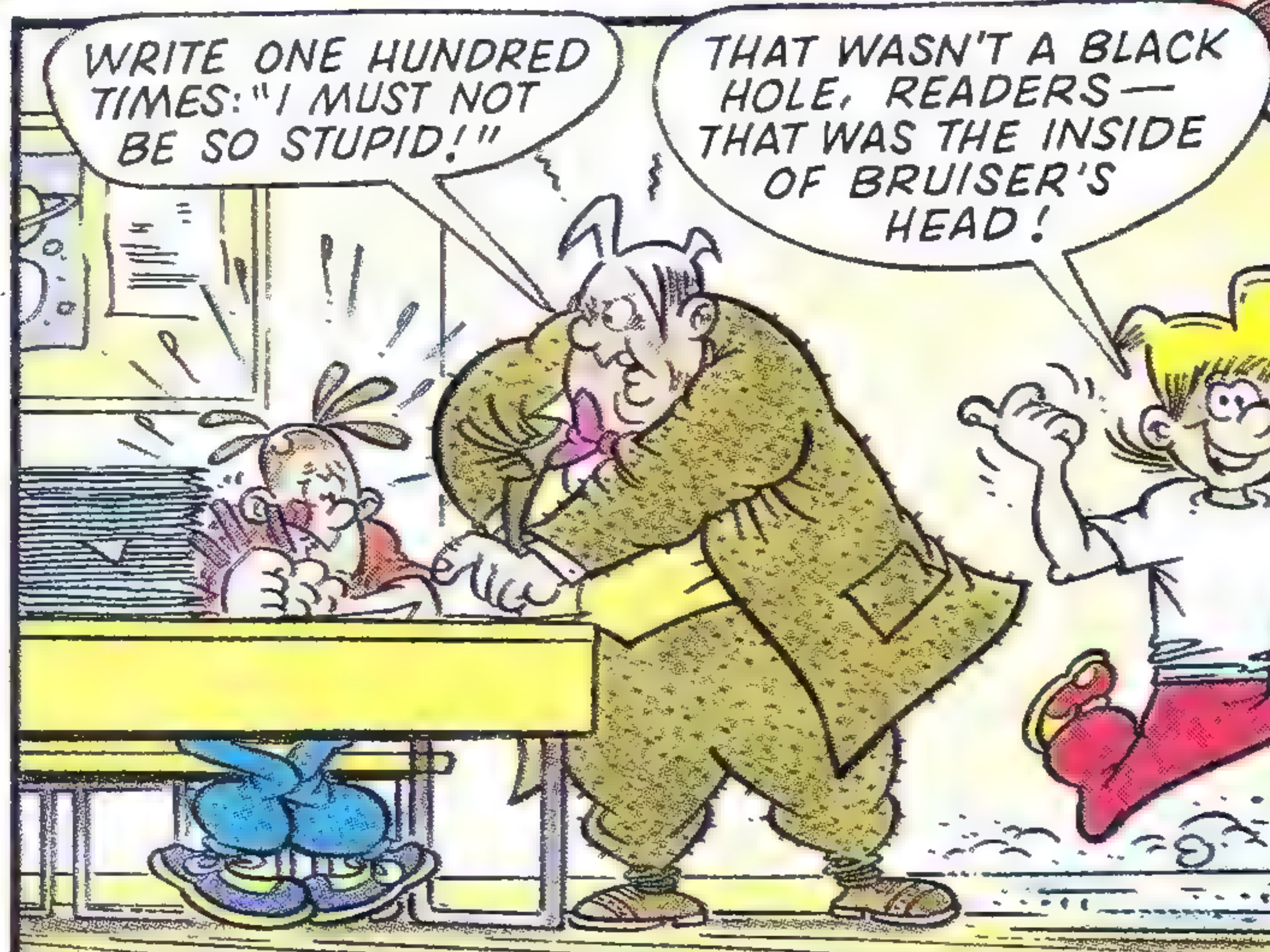
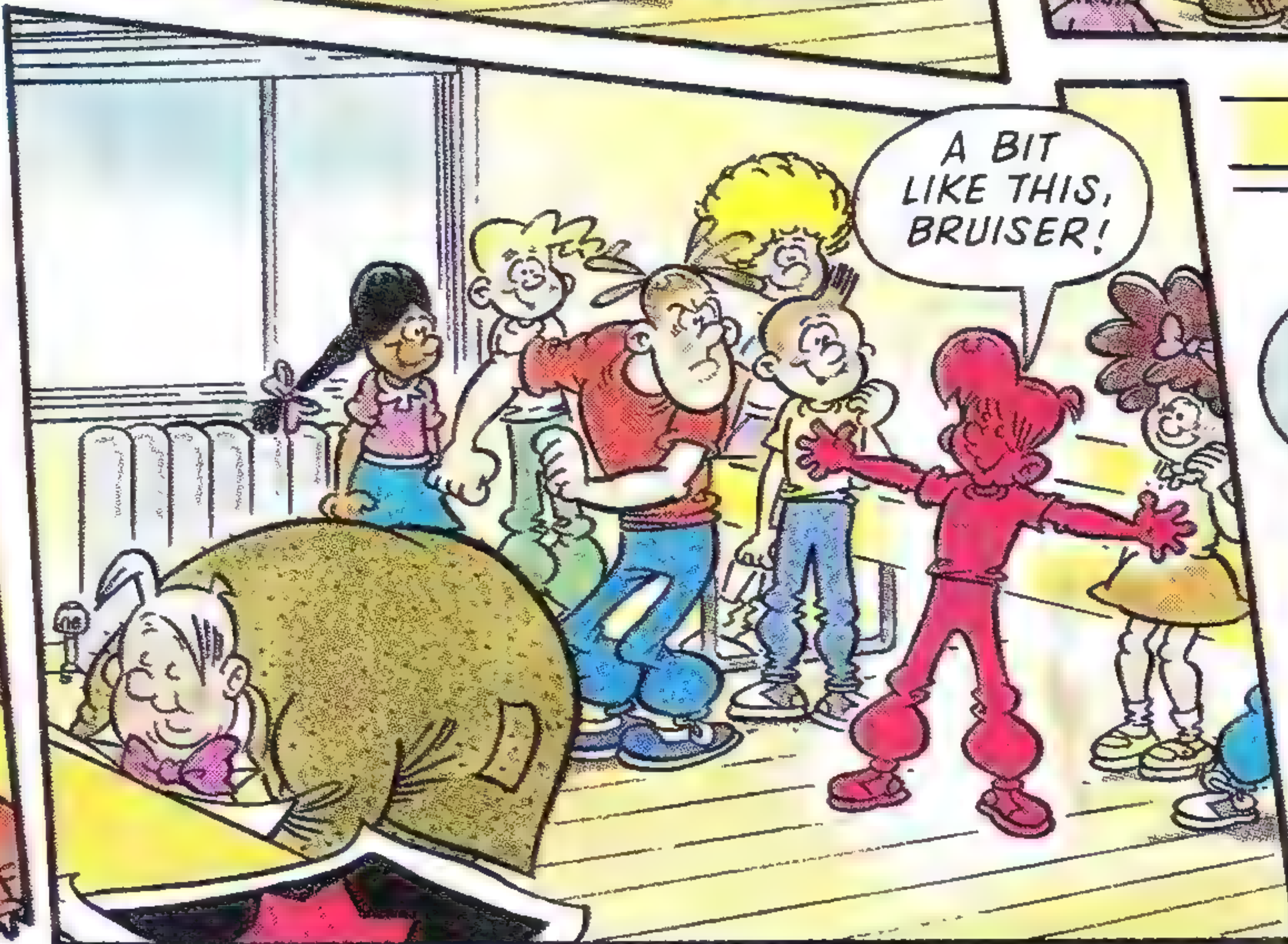
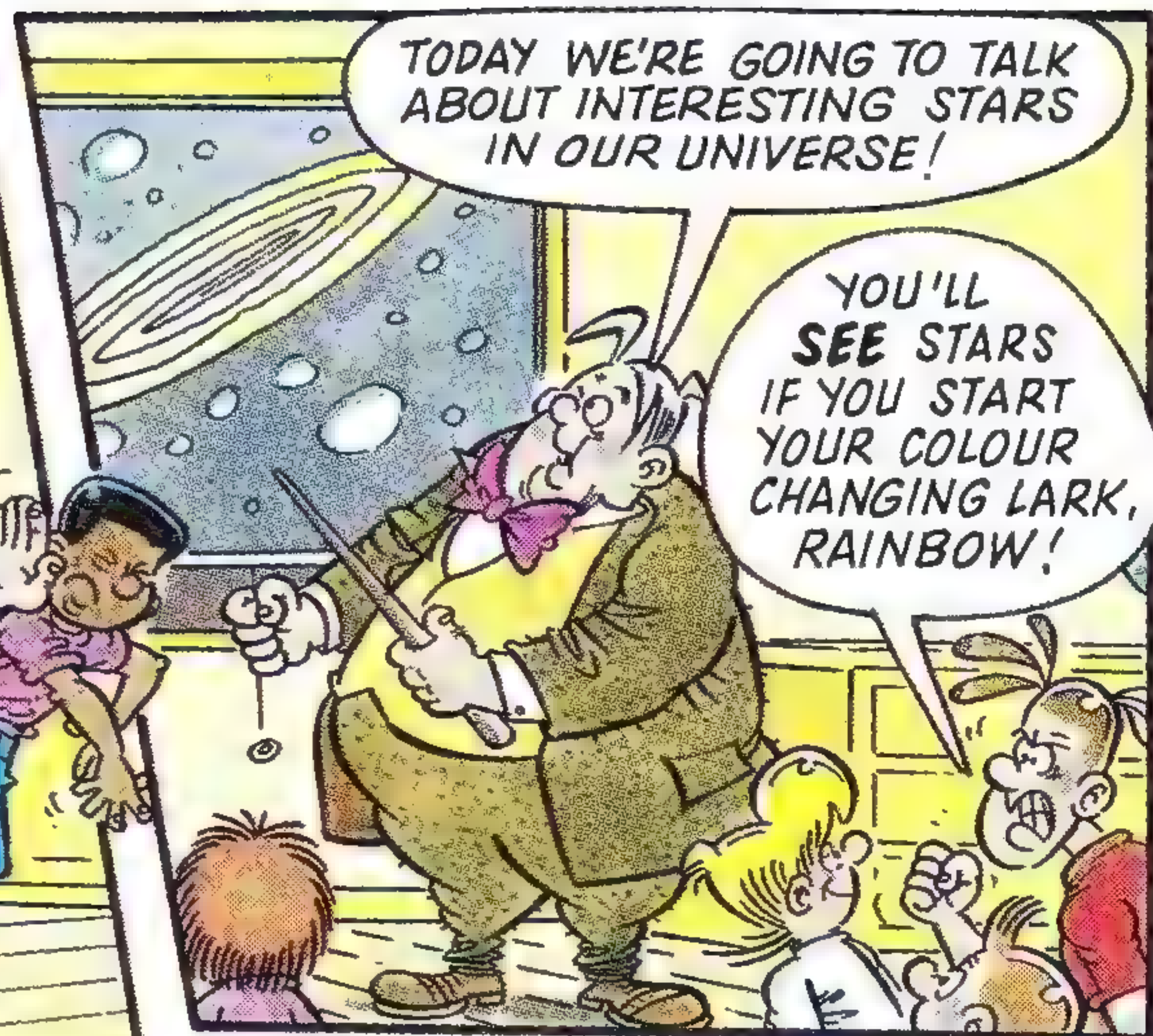
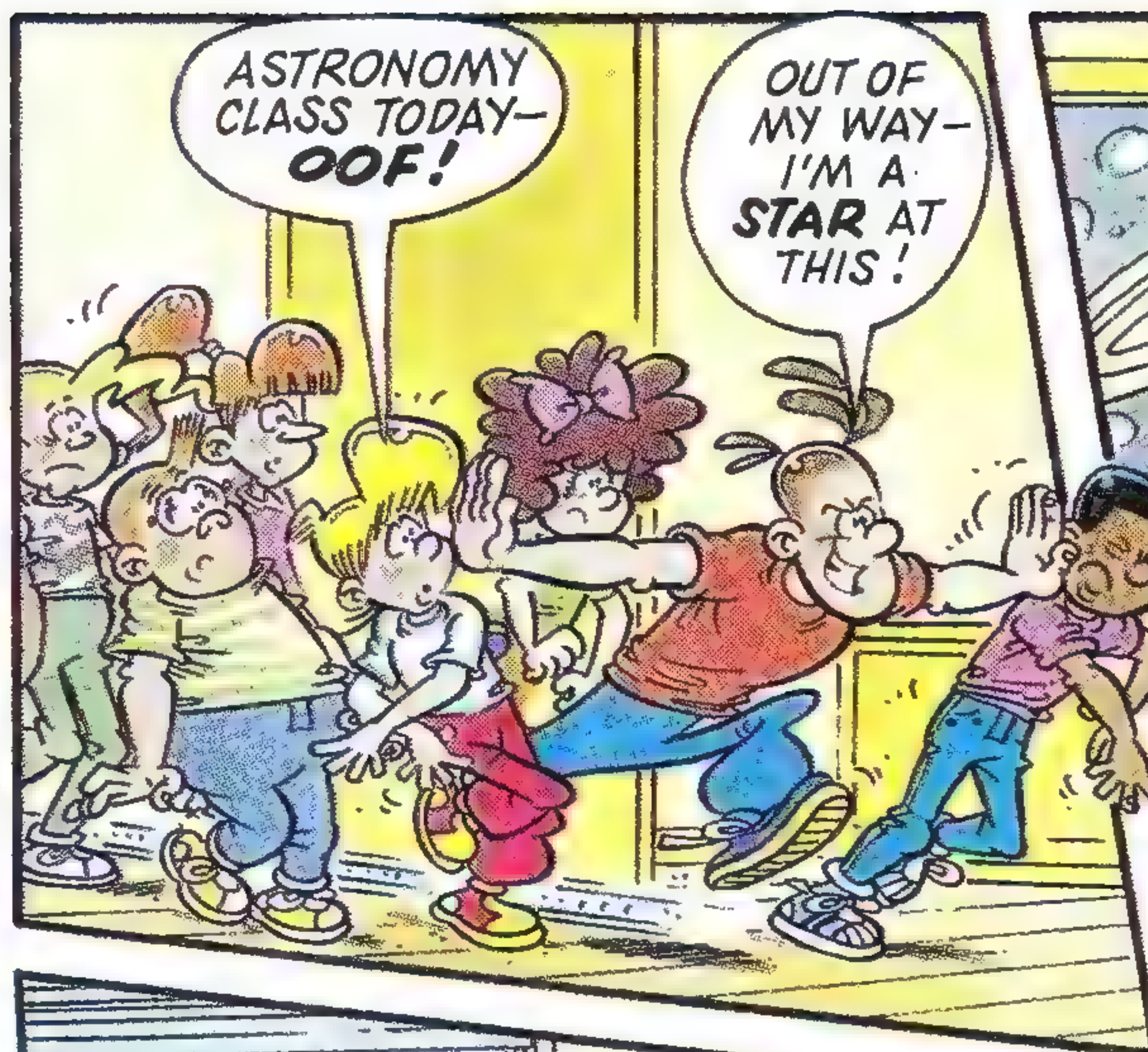
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MY LEAST FAVE FEATURE IS:

SWEET-TOOTH



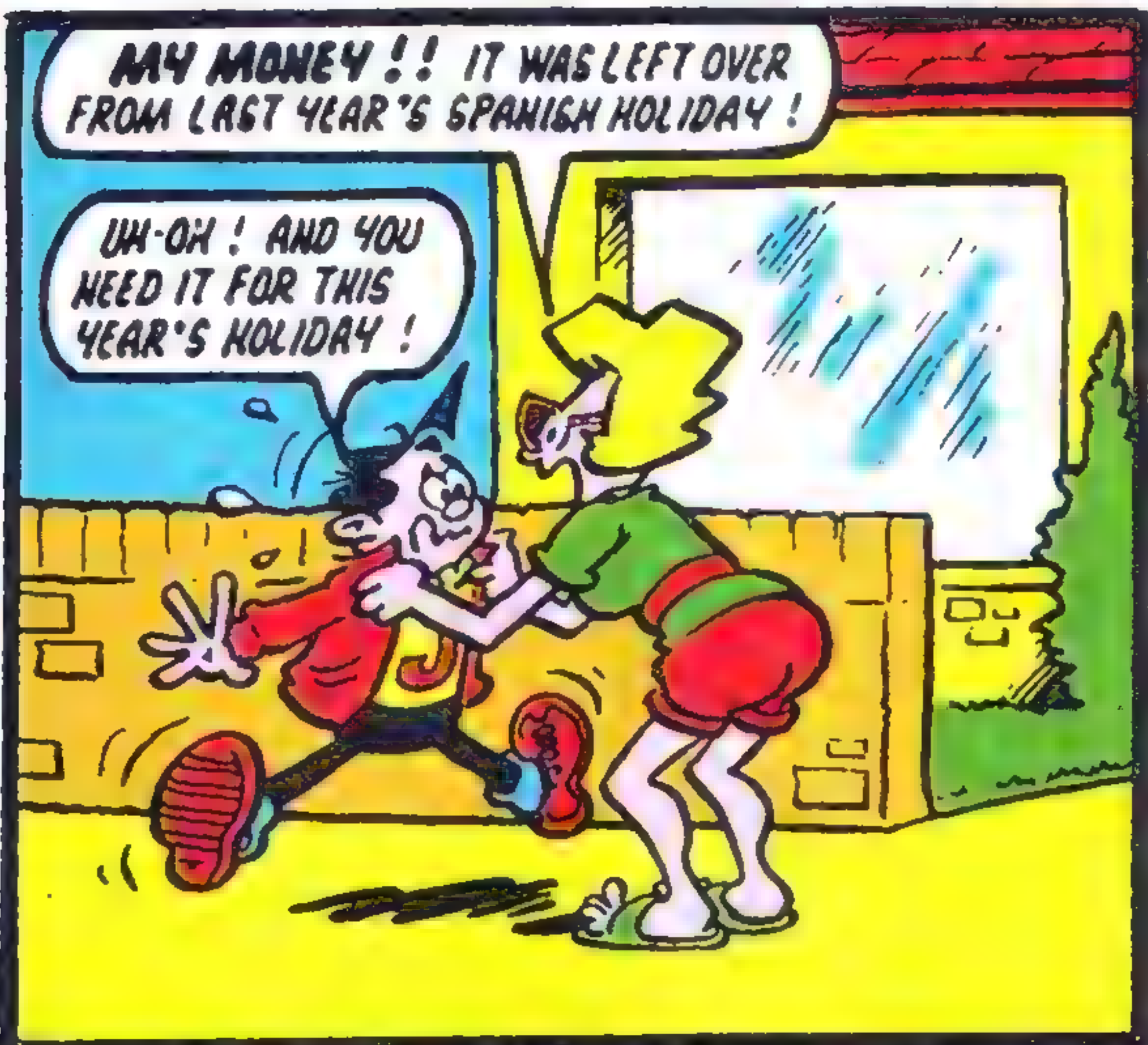
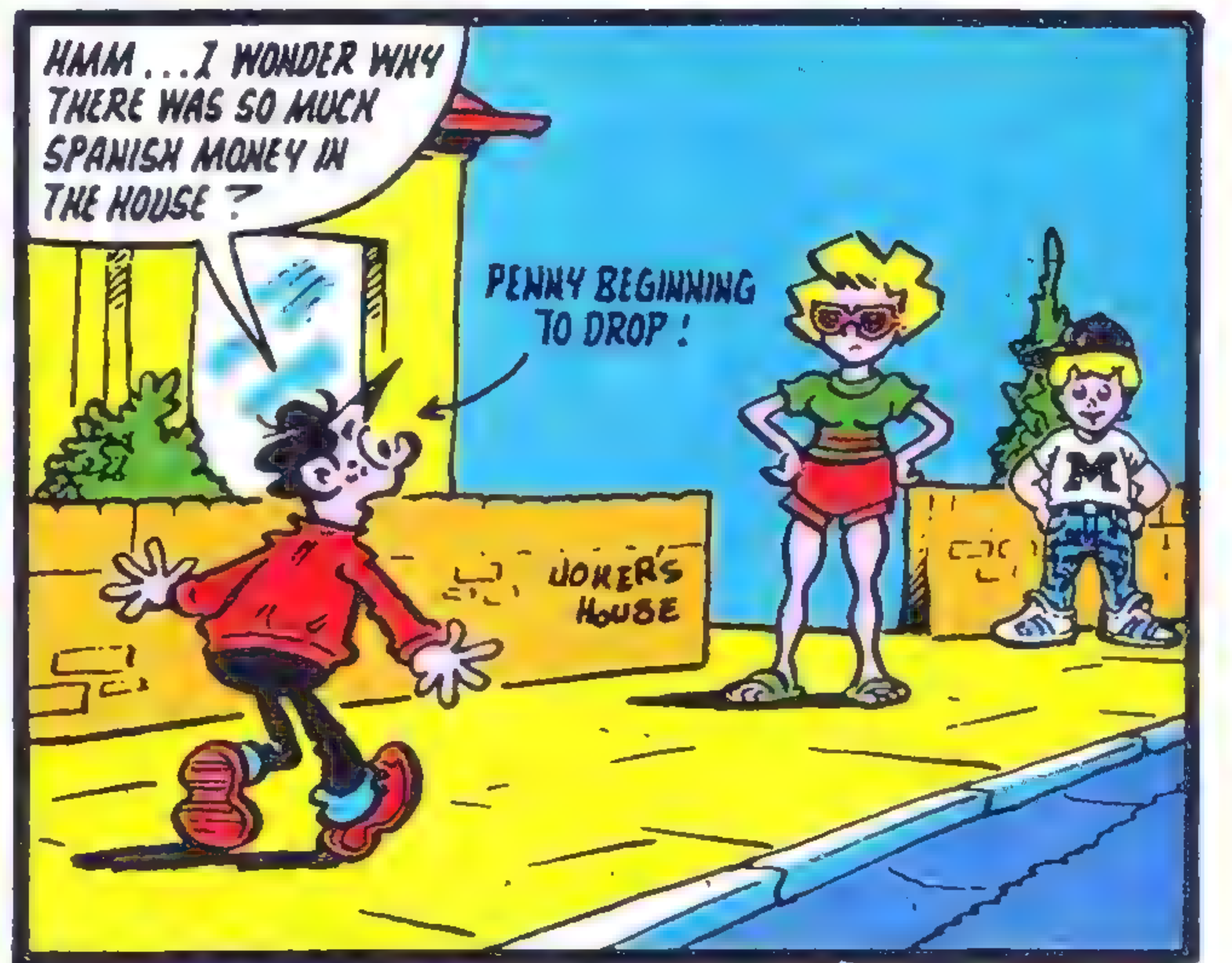
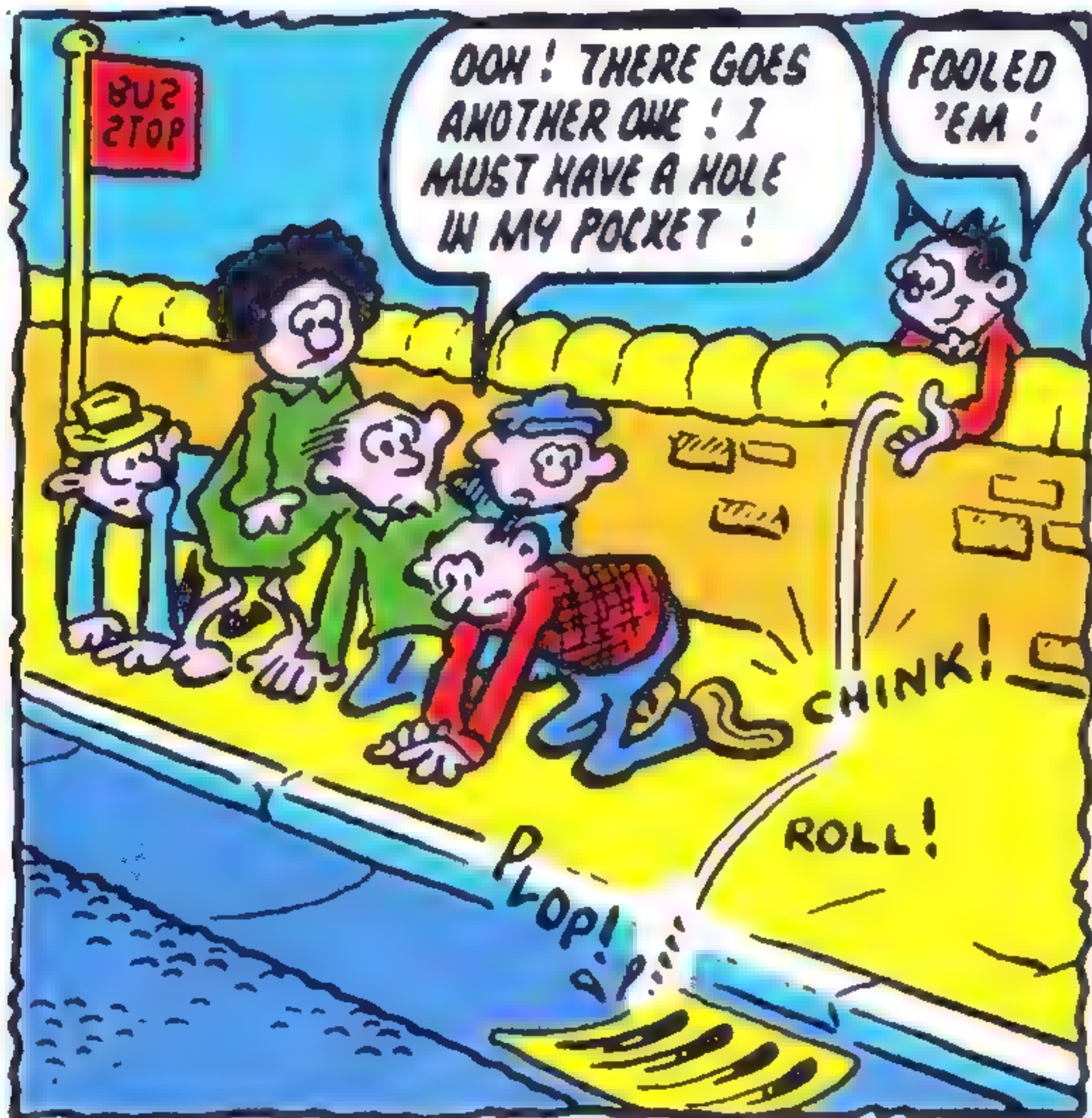
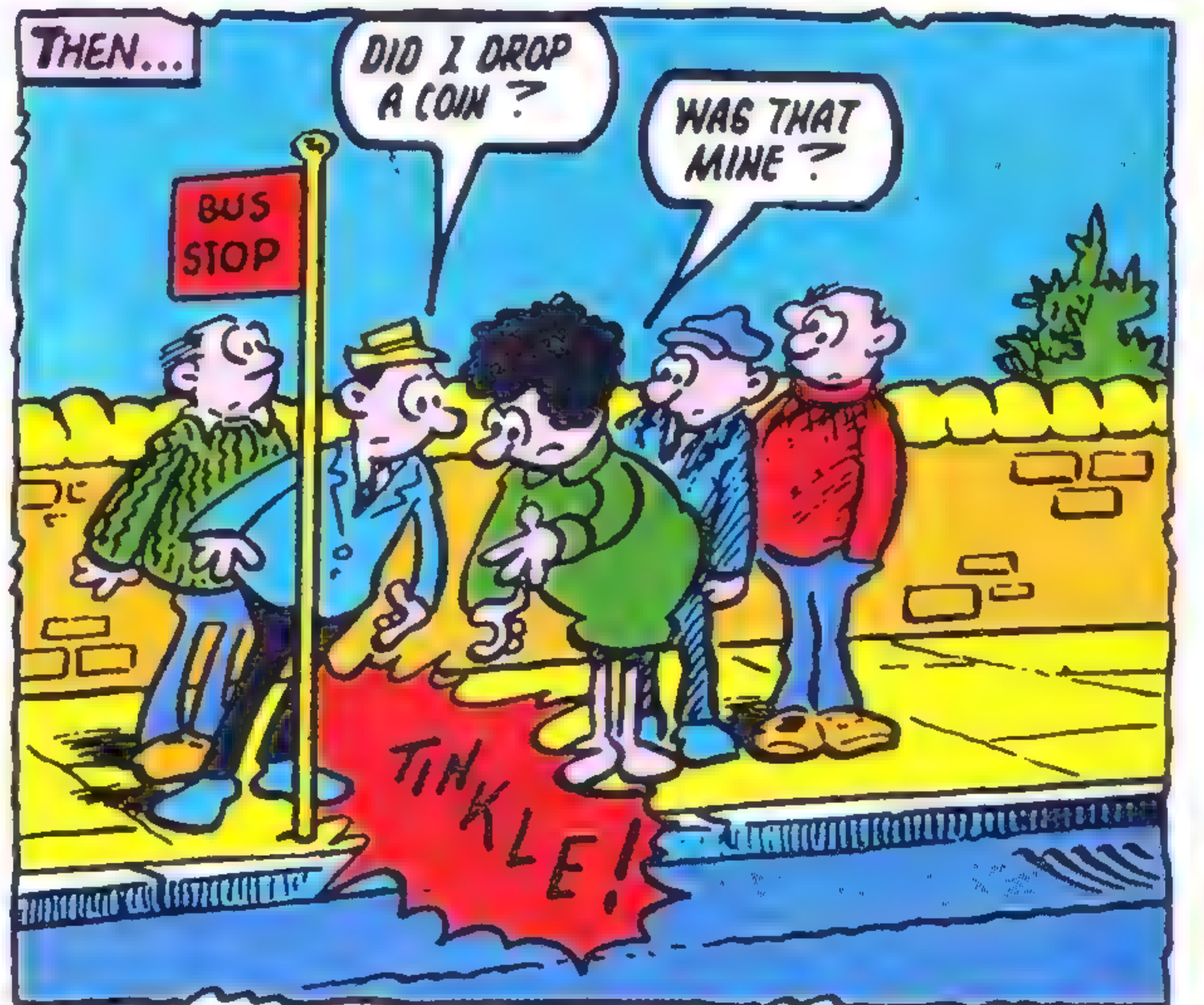
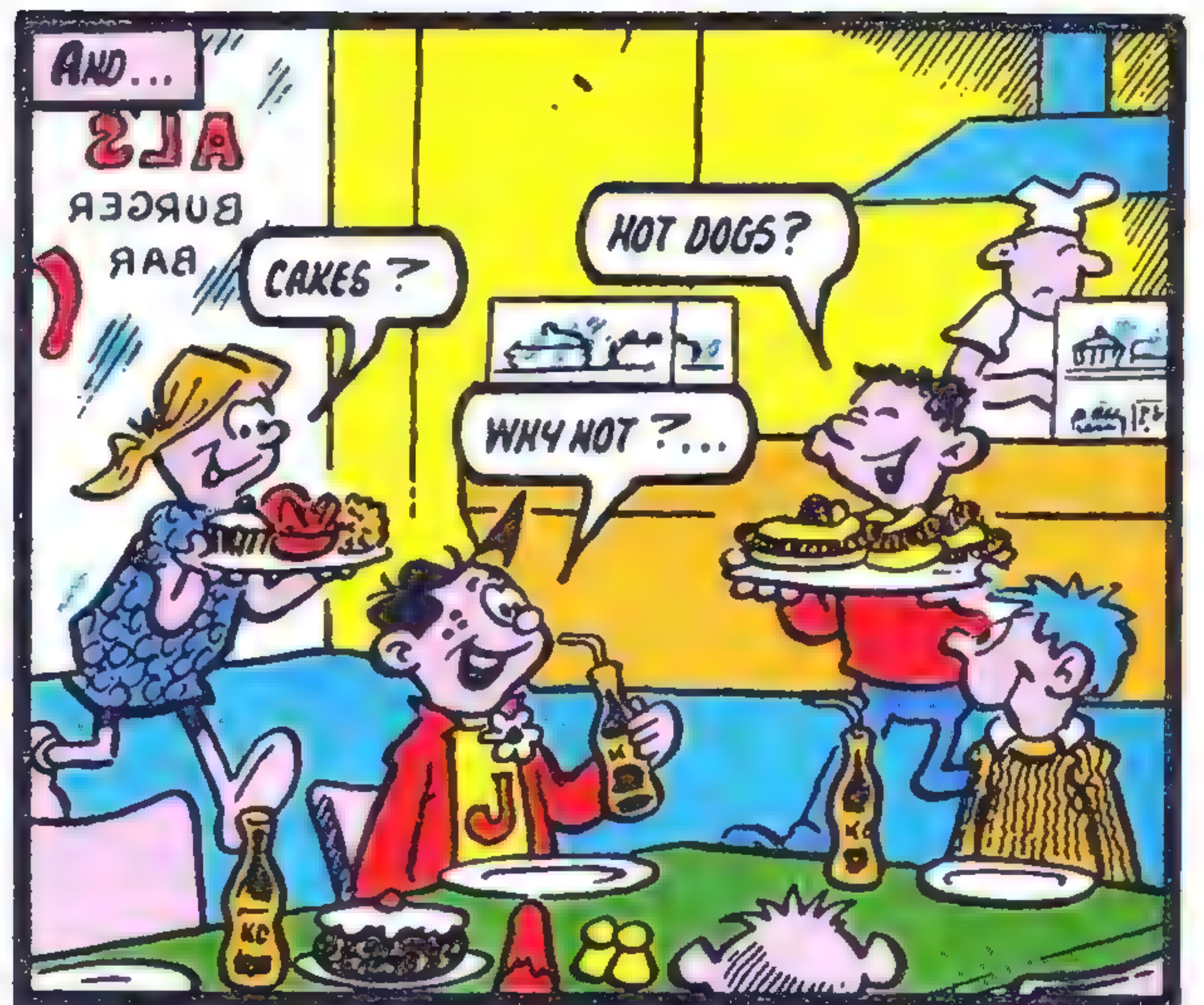
RICKY RAINBOW

THE MOST COLOURFUL BOY IN THE WORLD



THAT WASN'T A BLACK HOLE, READERS— THAT WAS THE INSIDE OF BRUISER'S HEAD!





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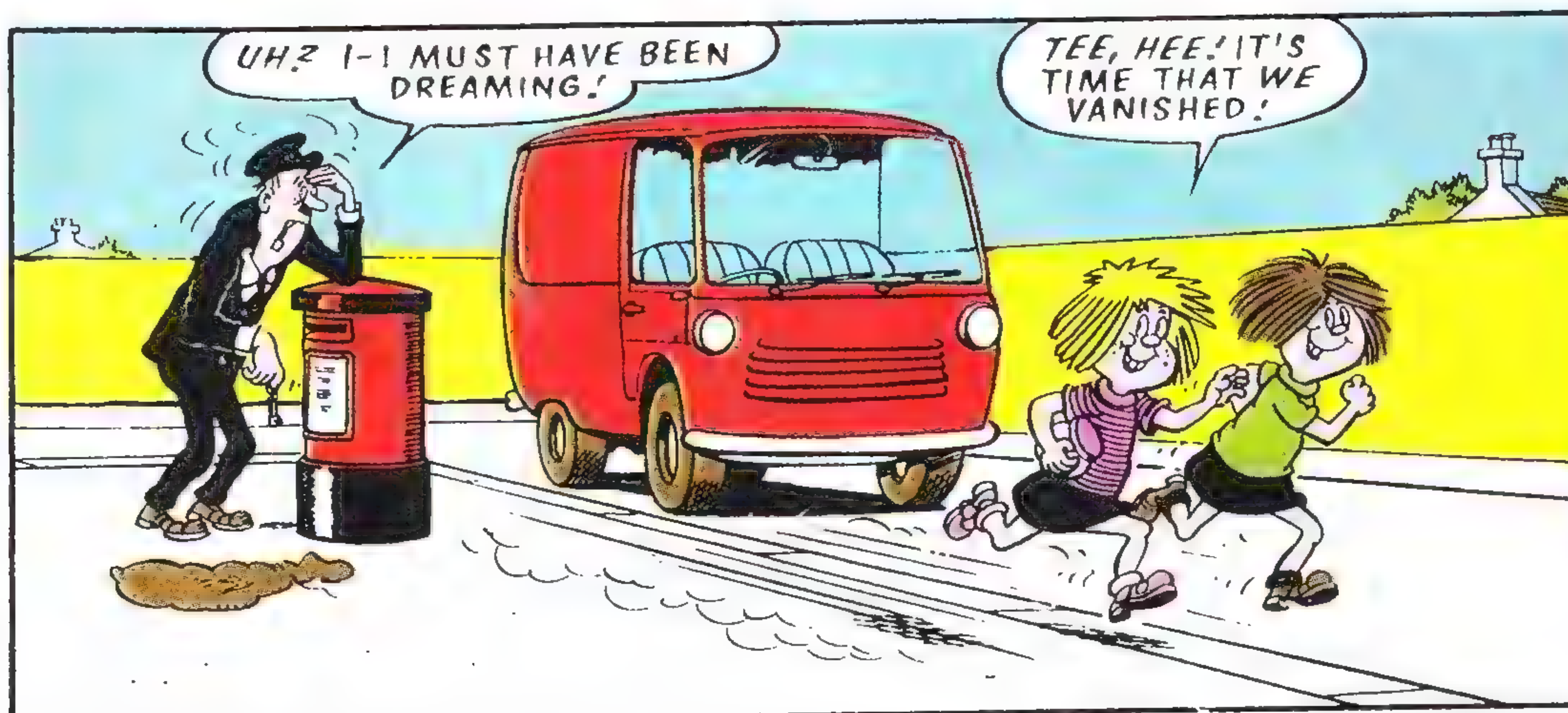
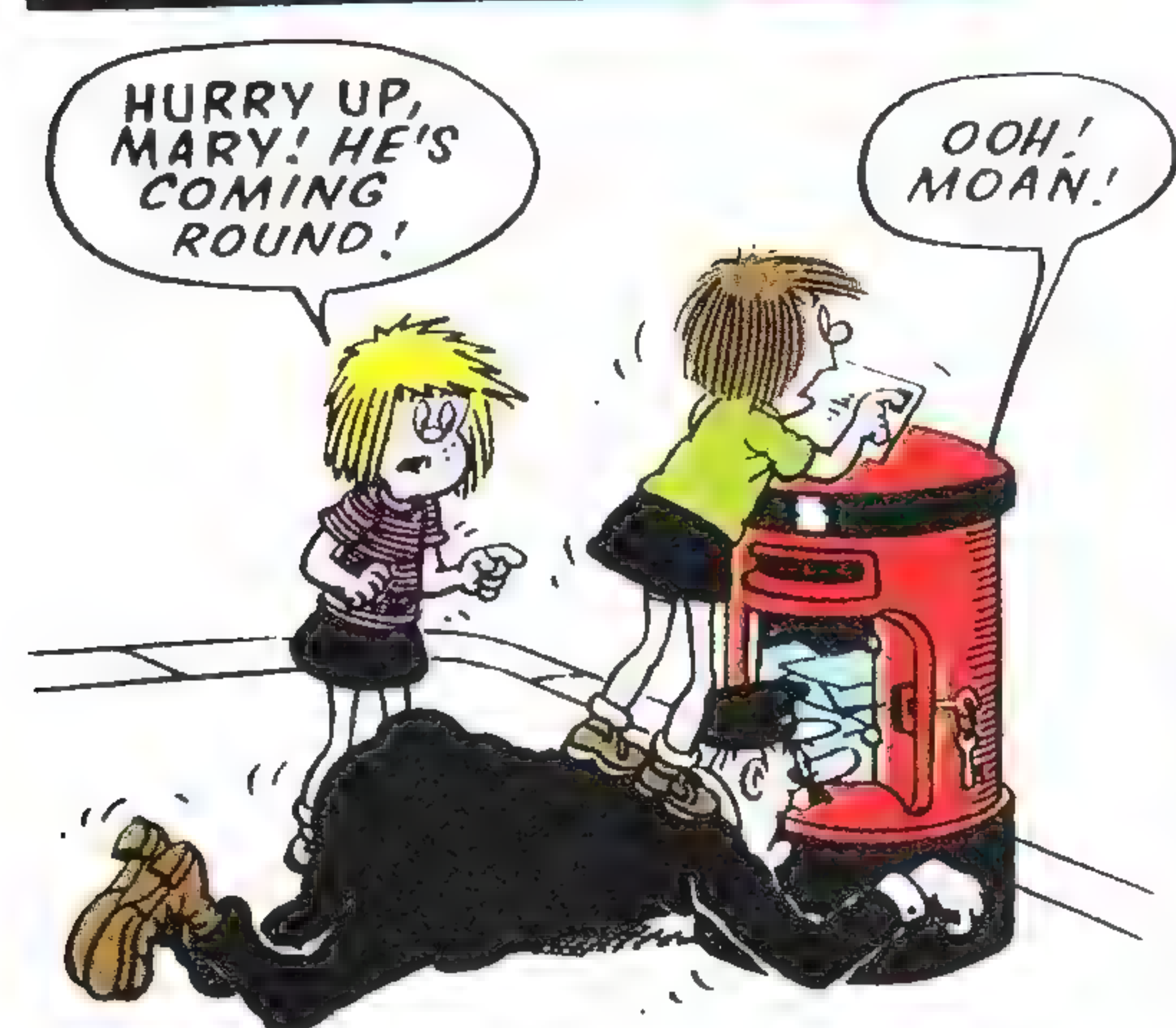
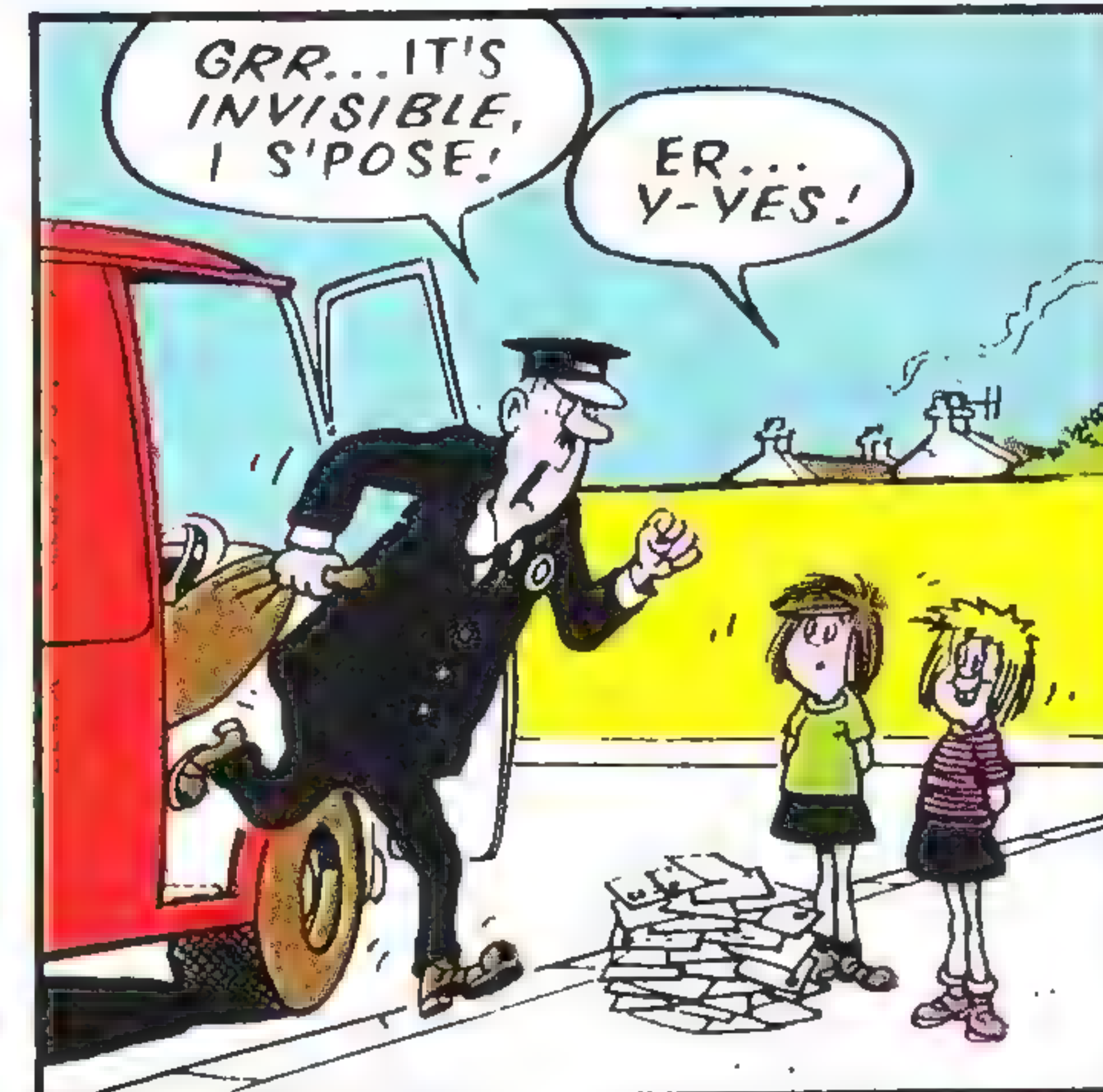
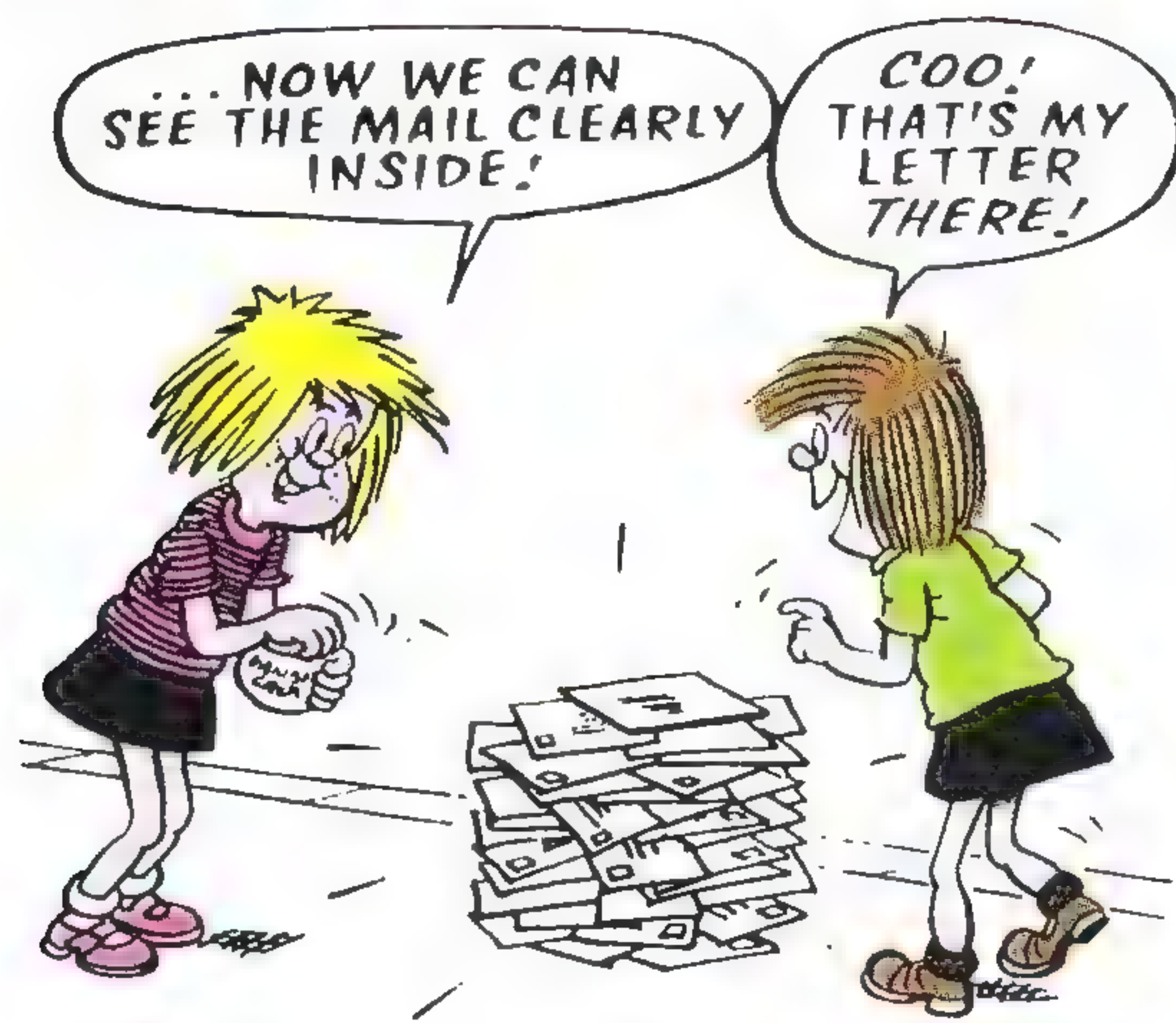
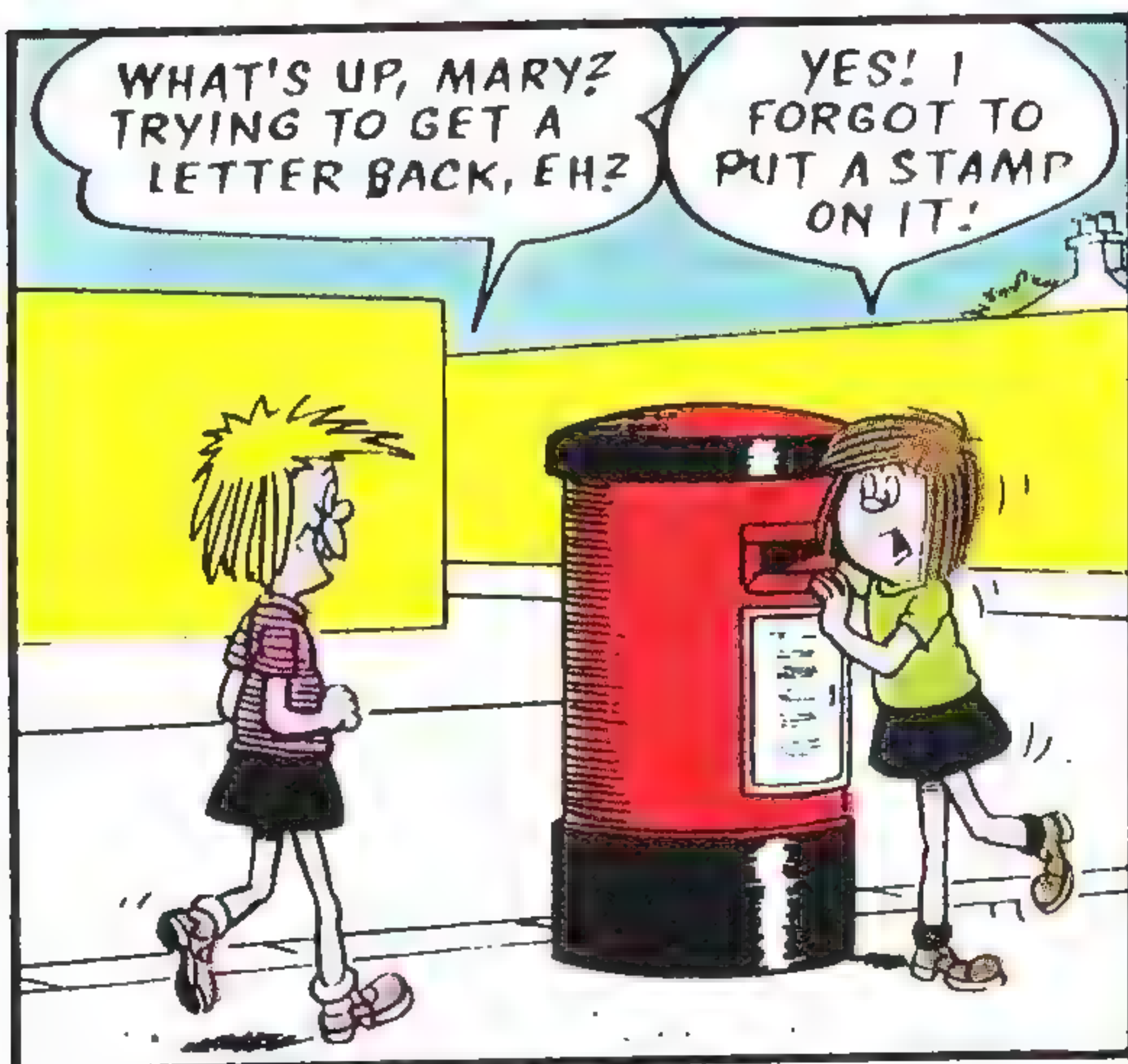
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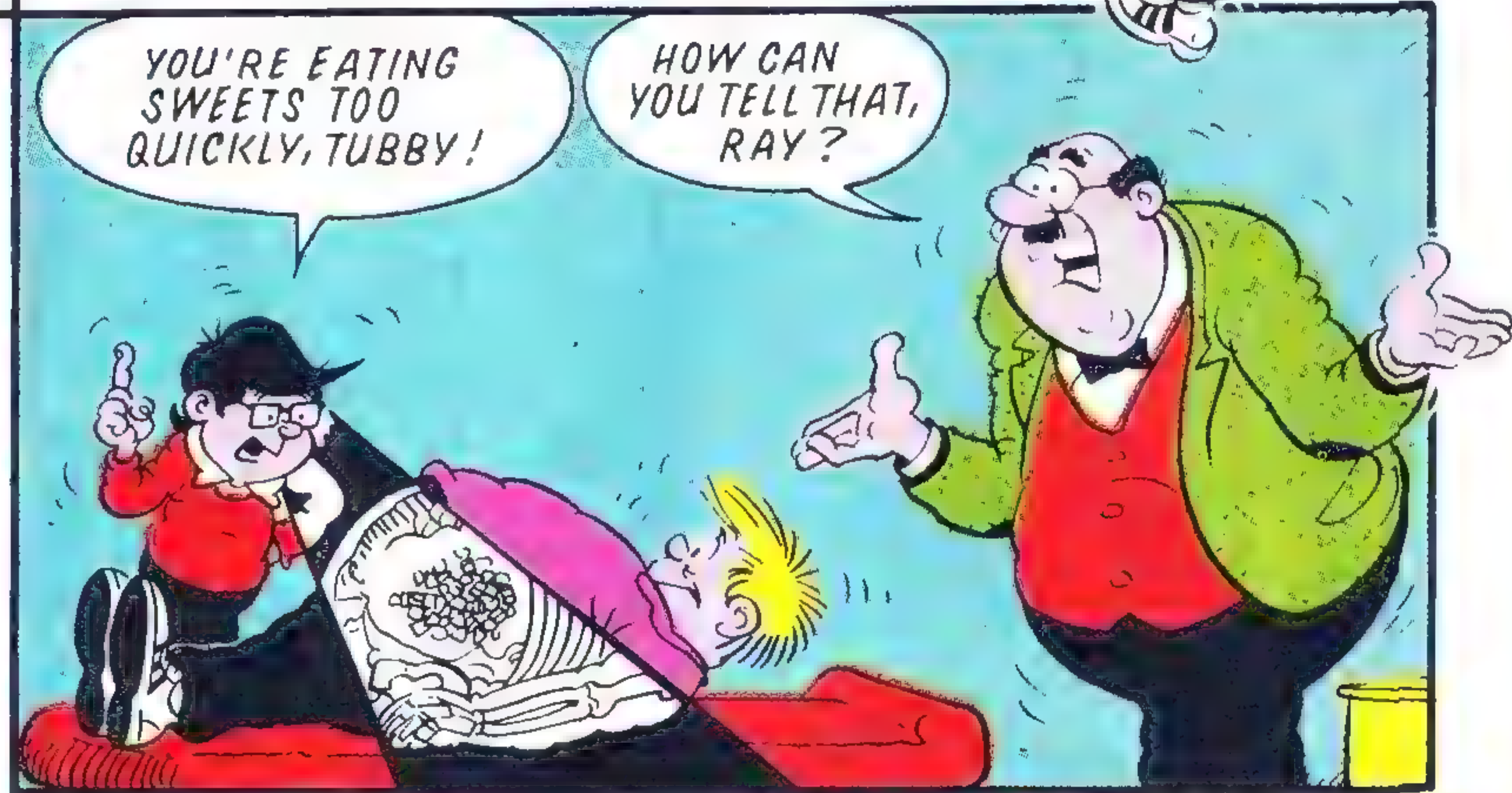
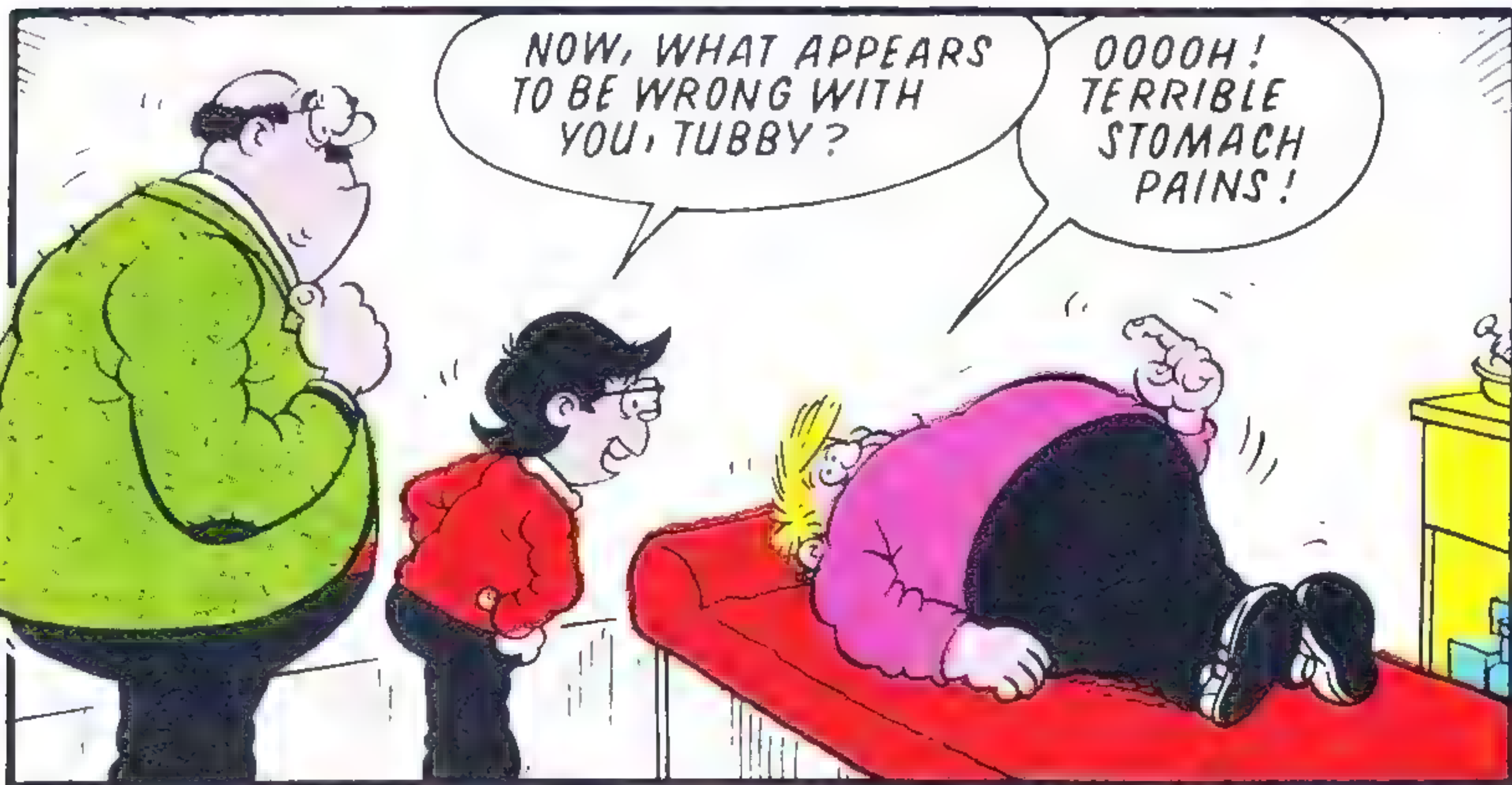
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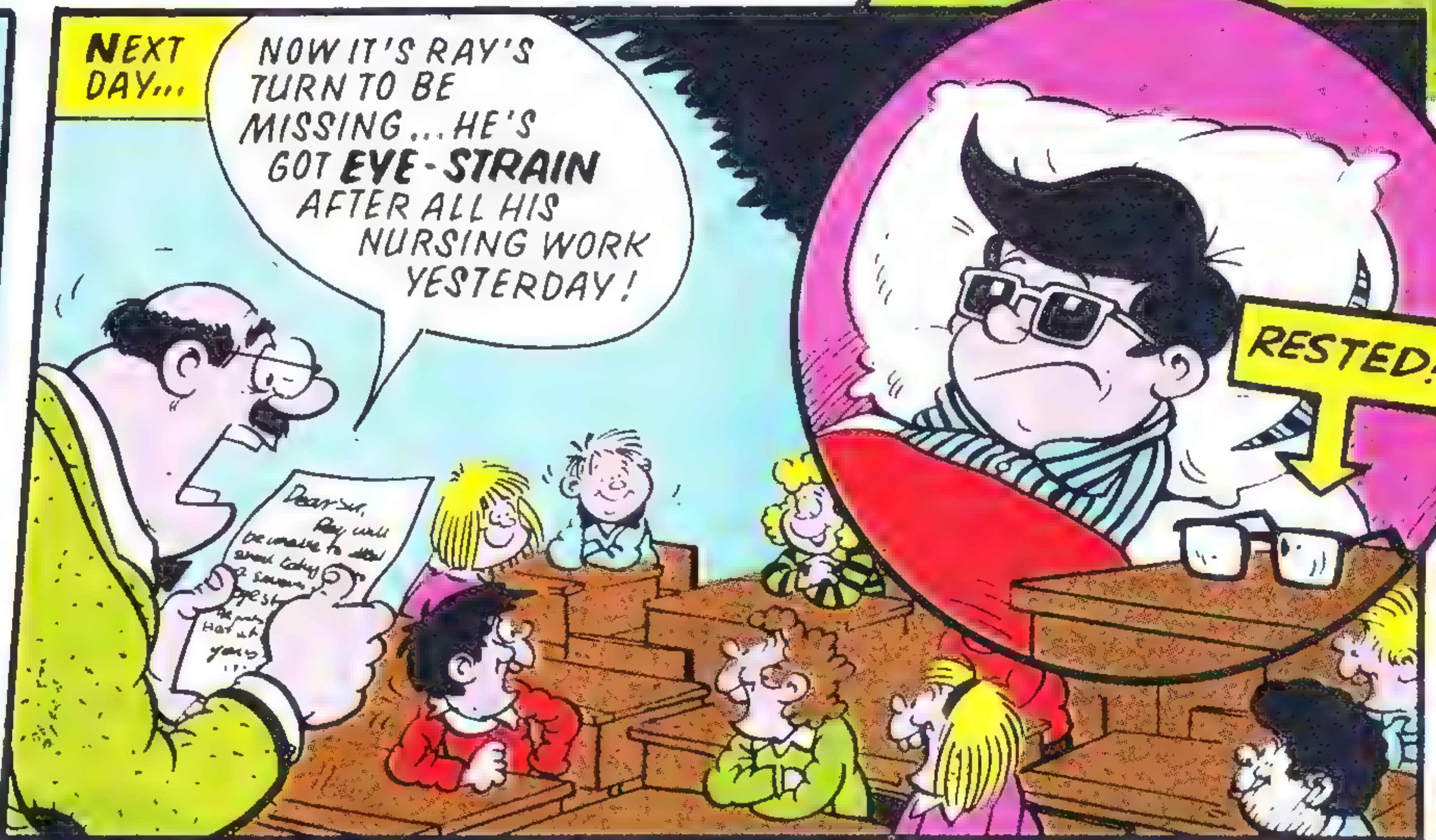
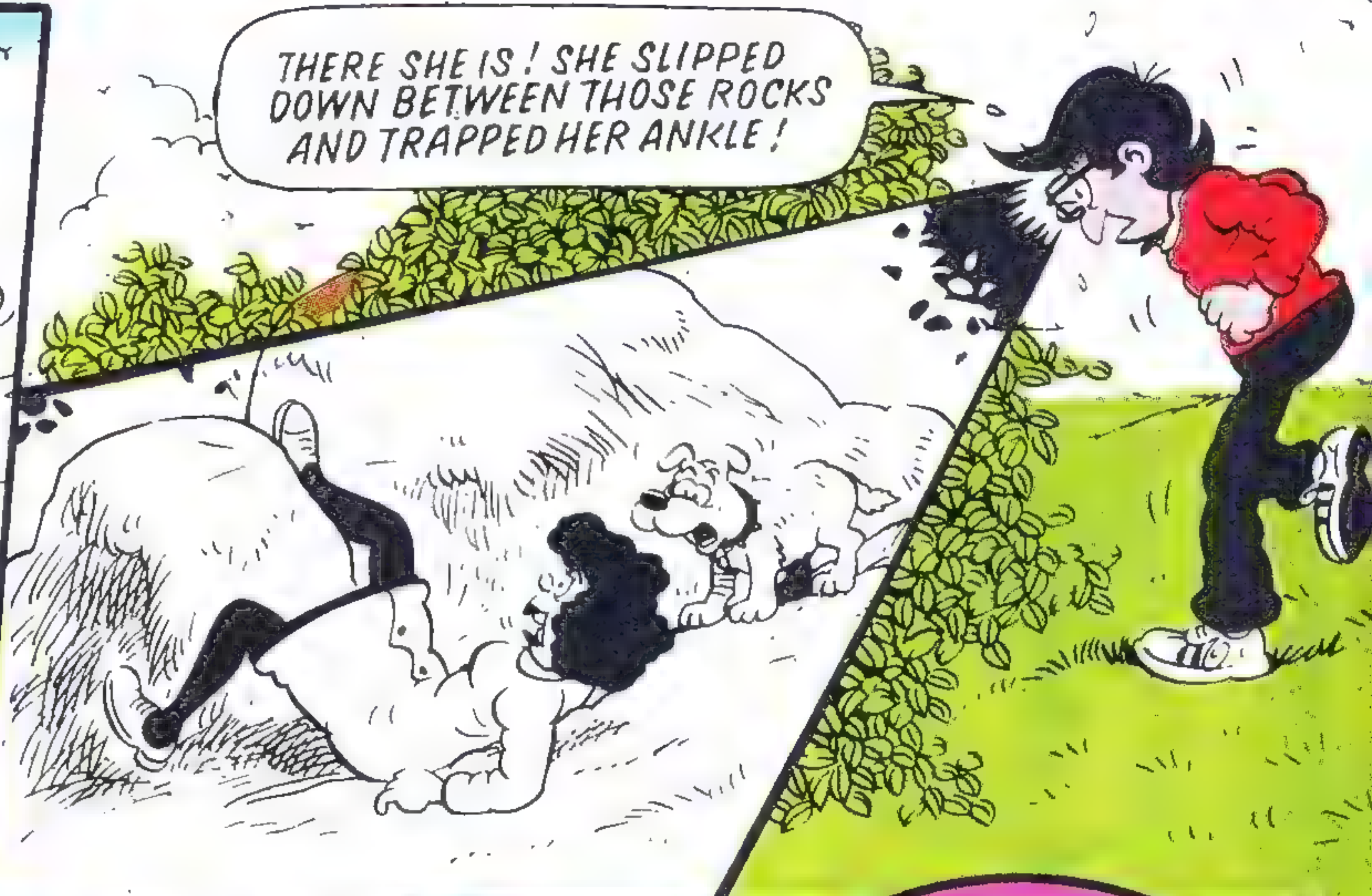
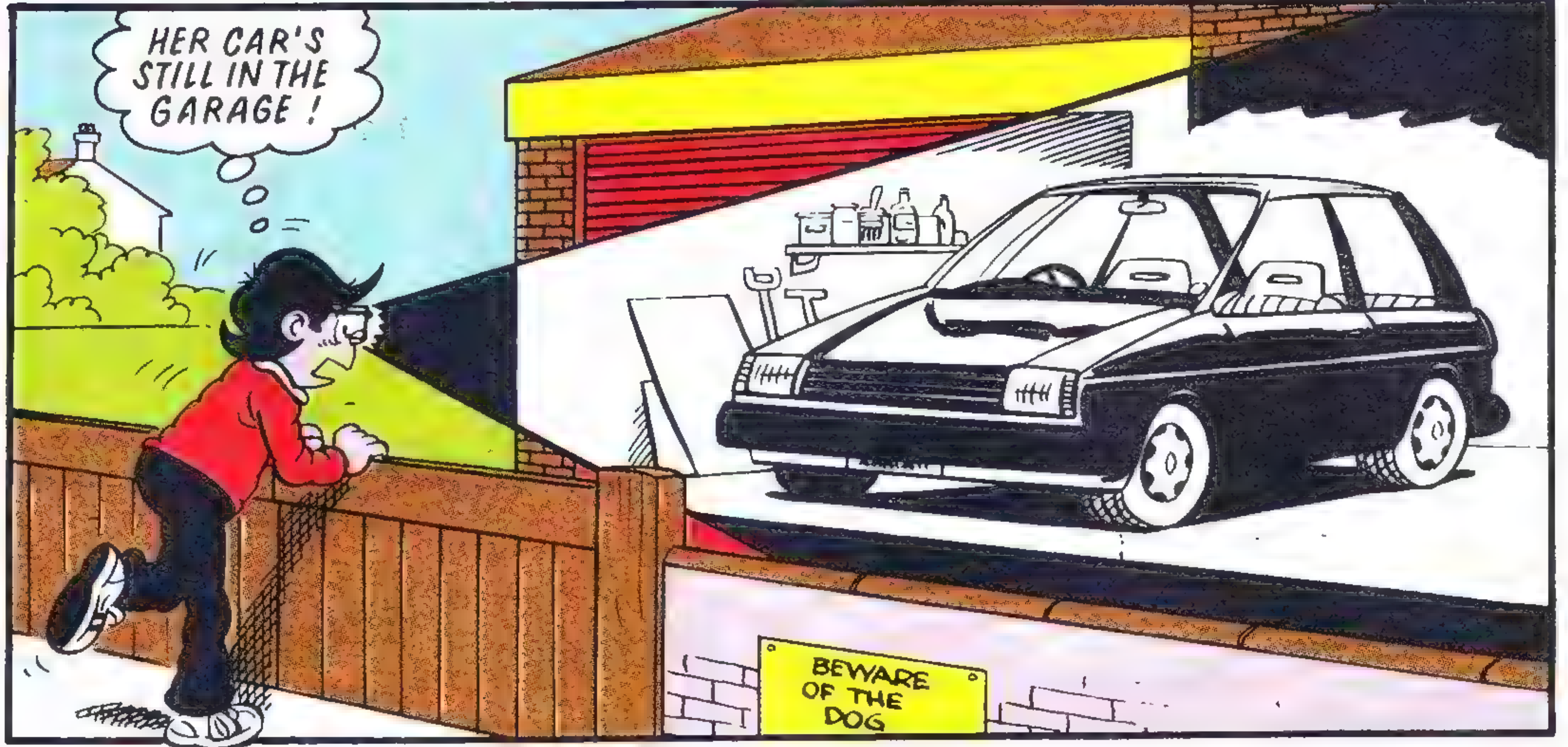
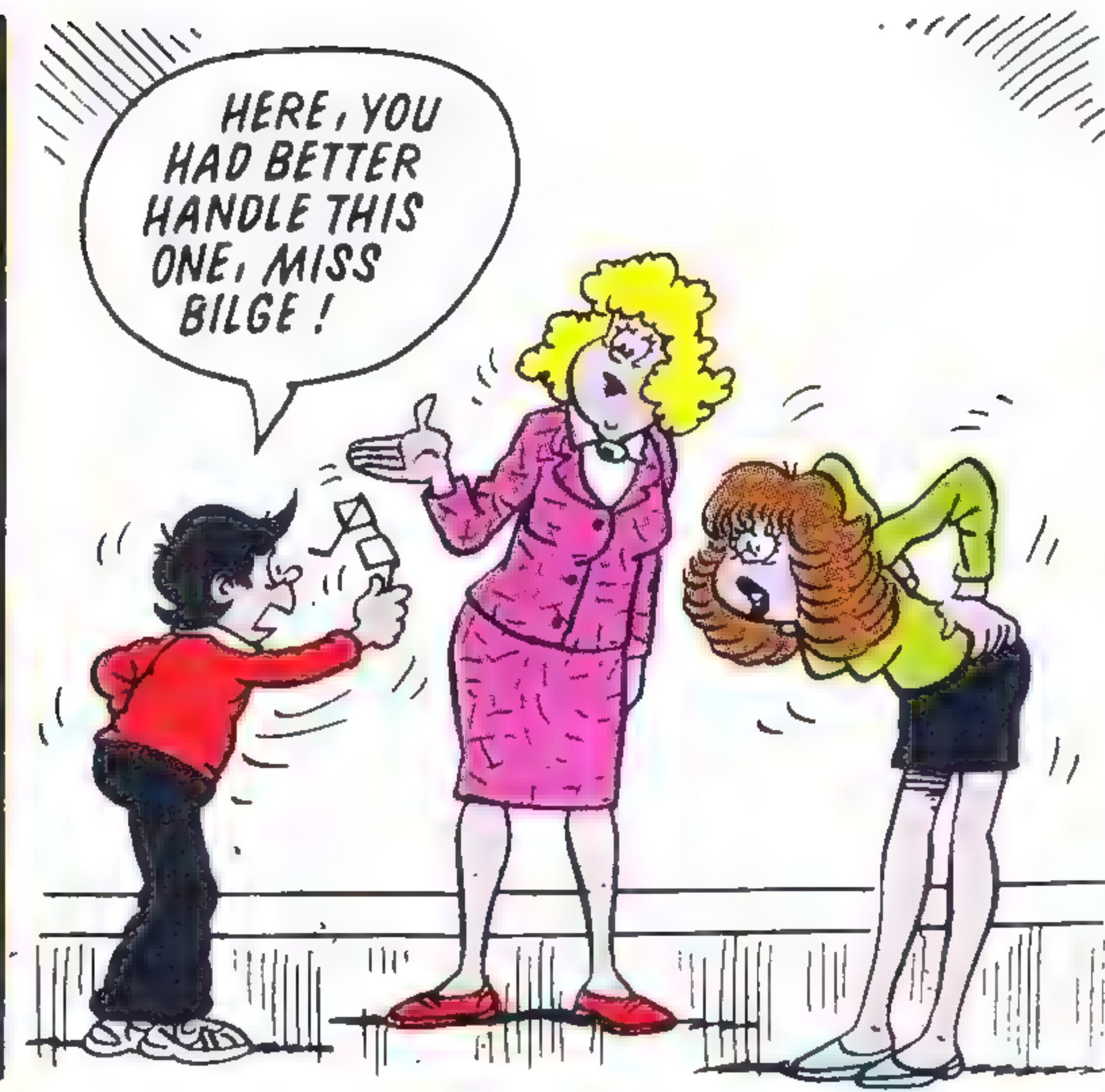
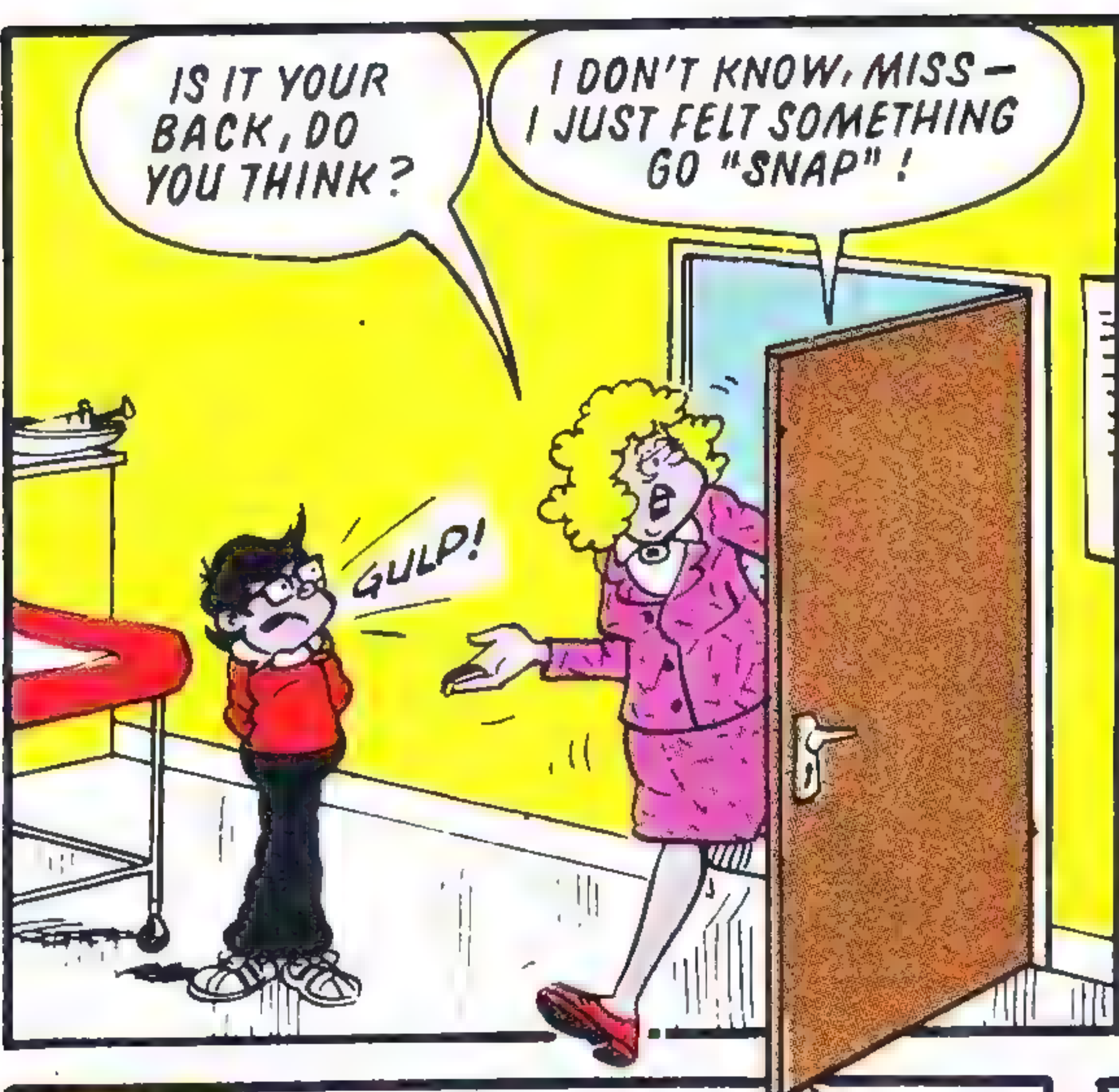
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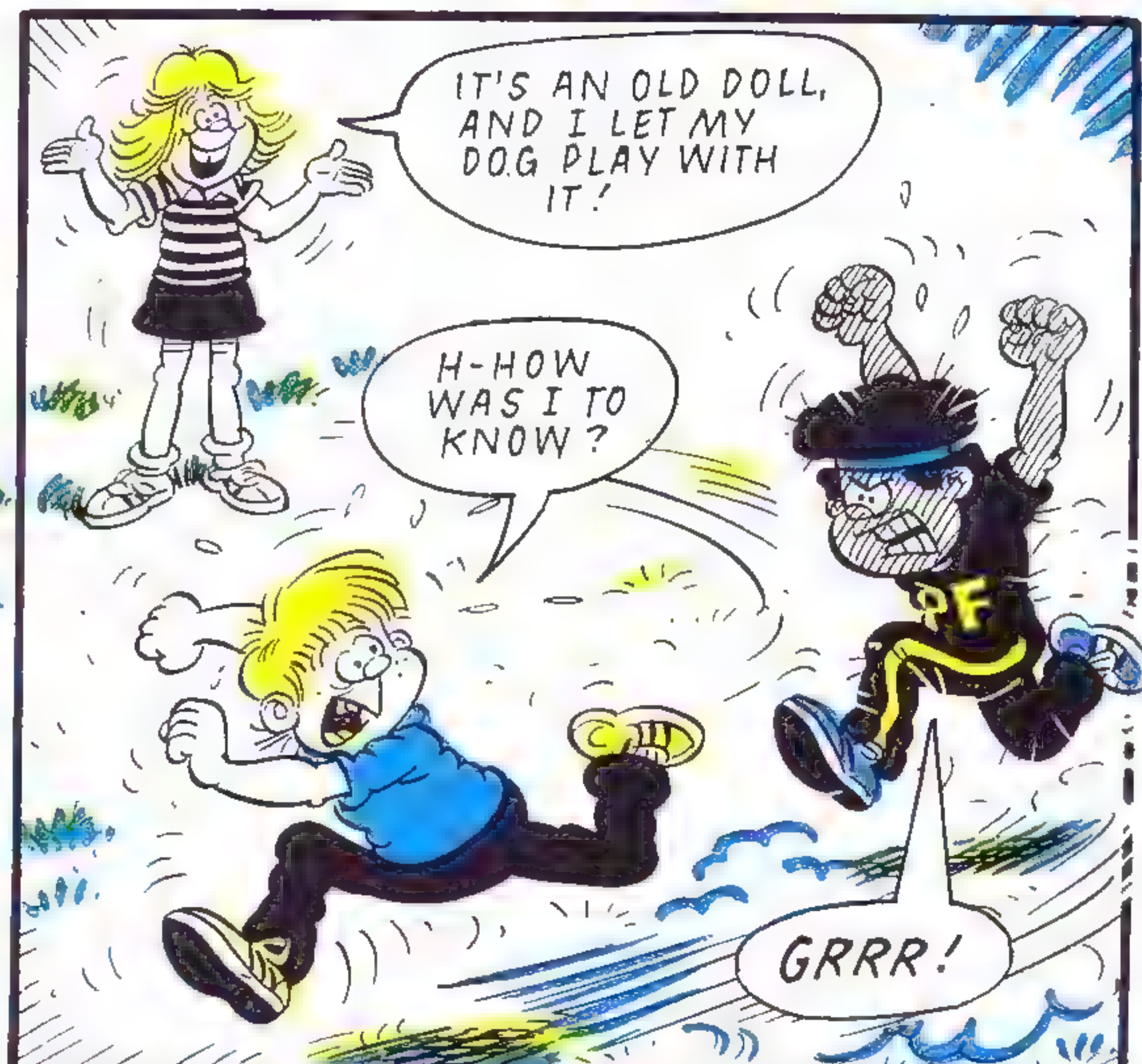
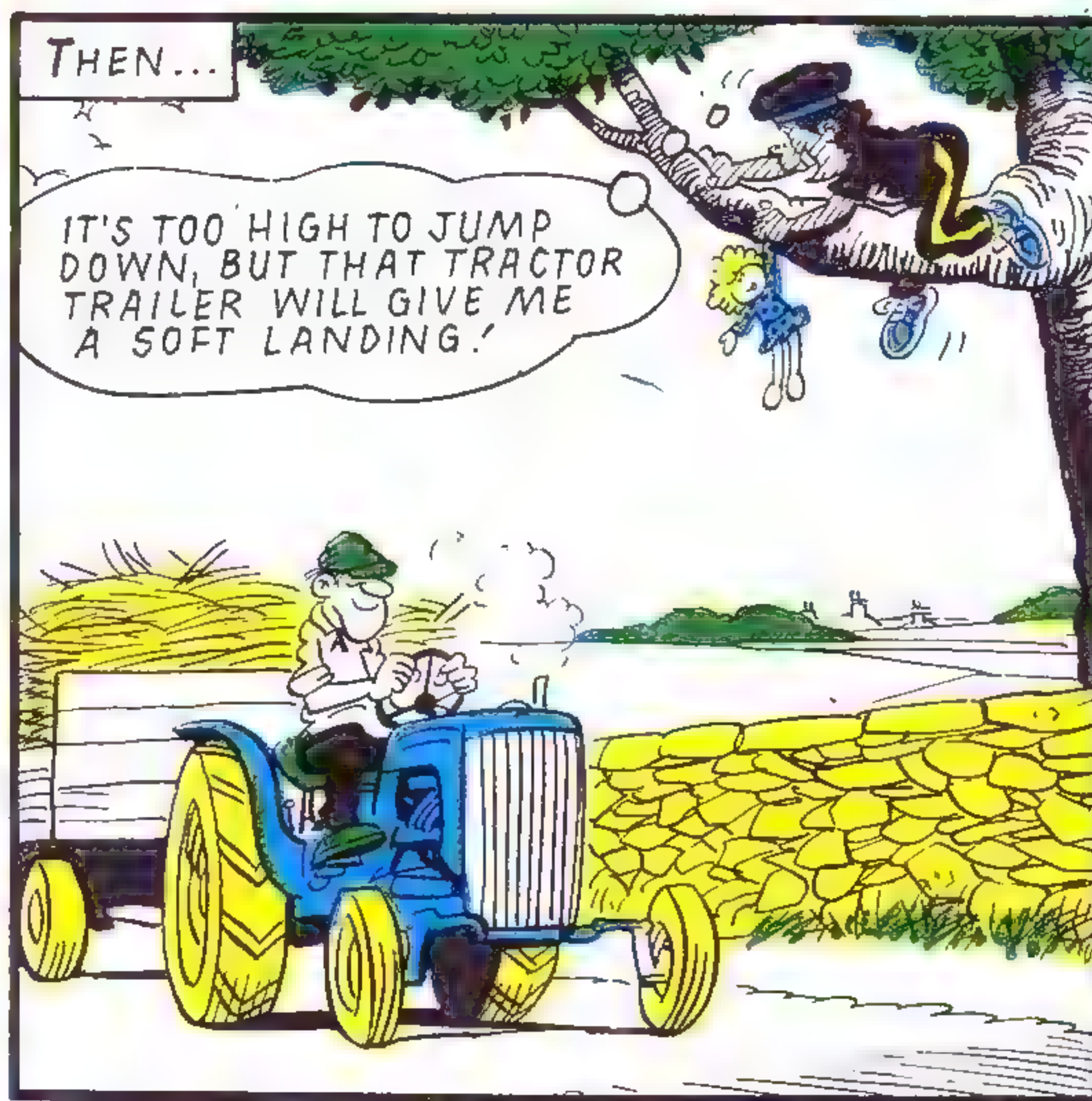
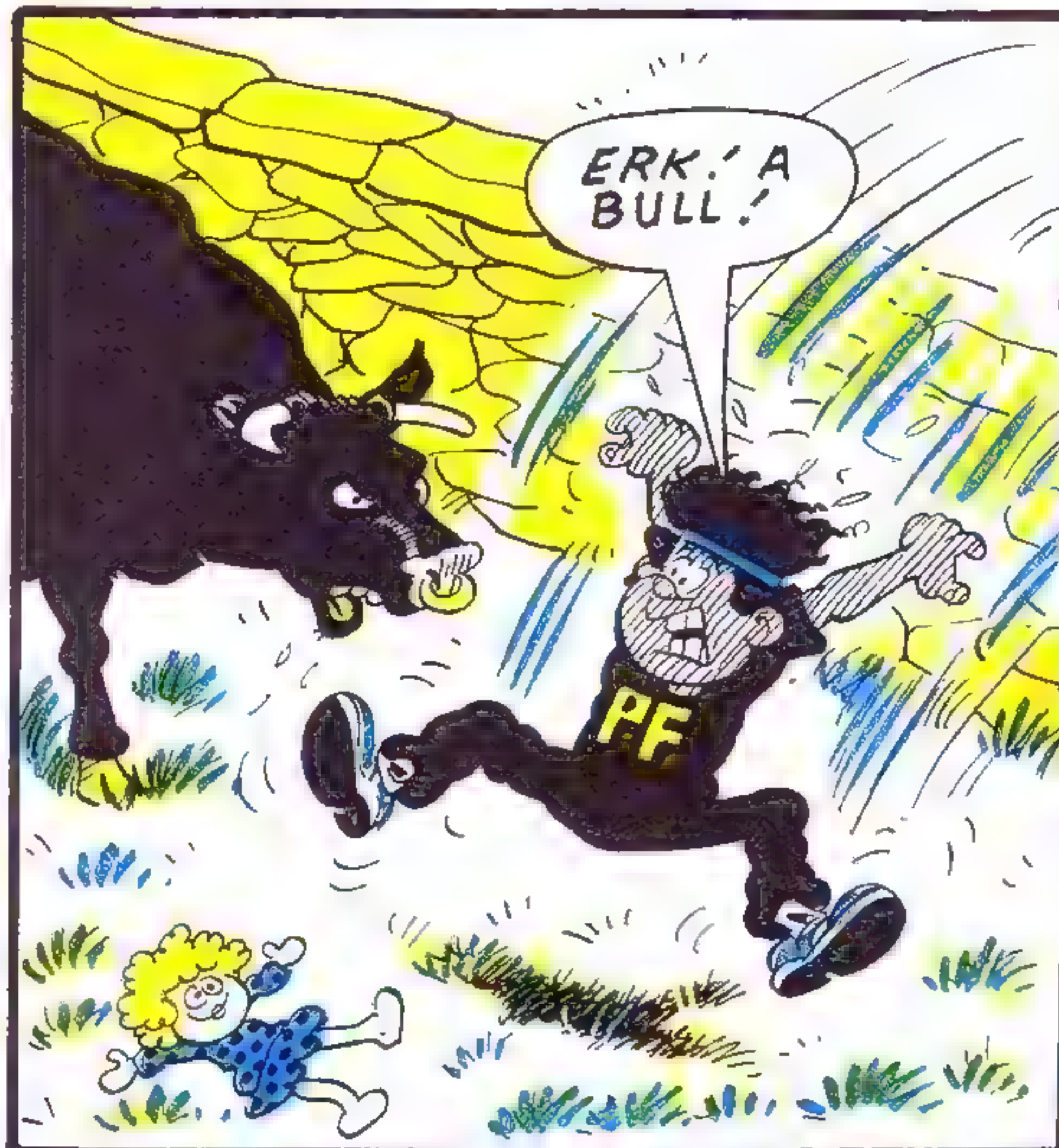
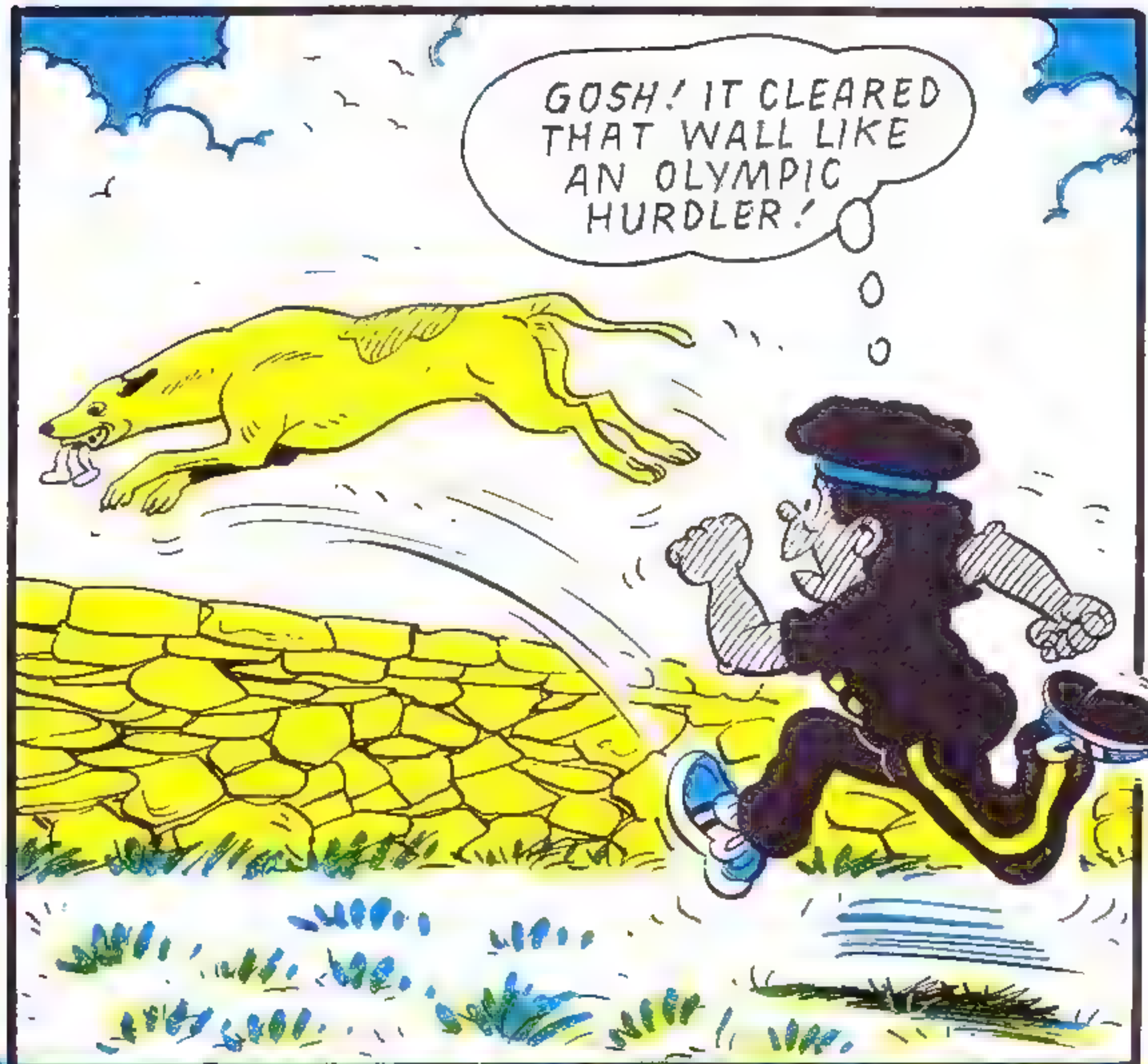
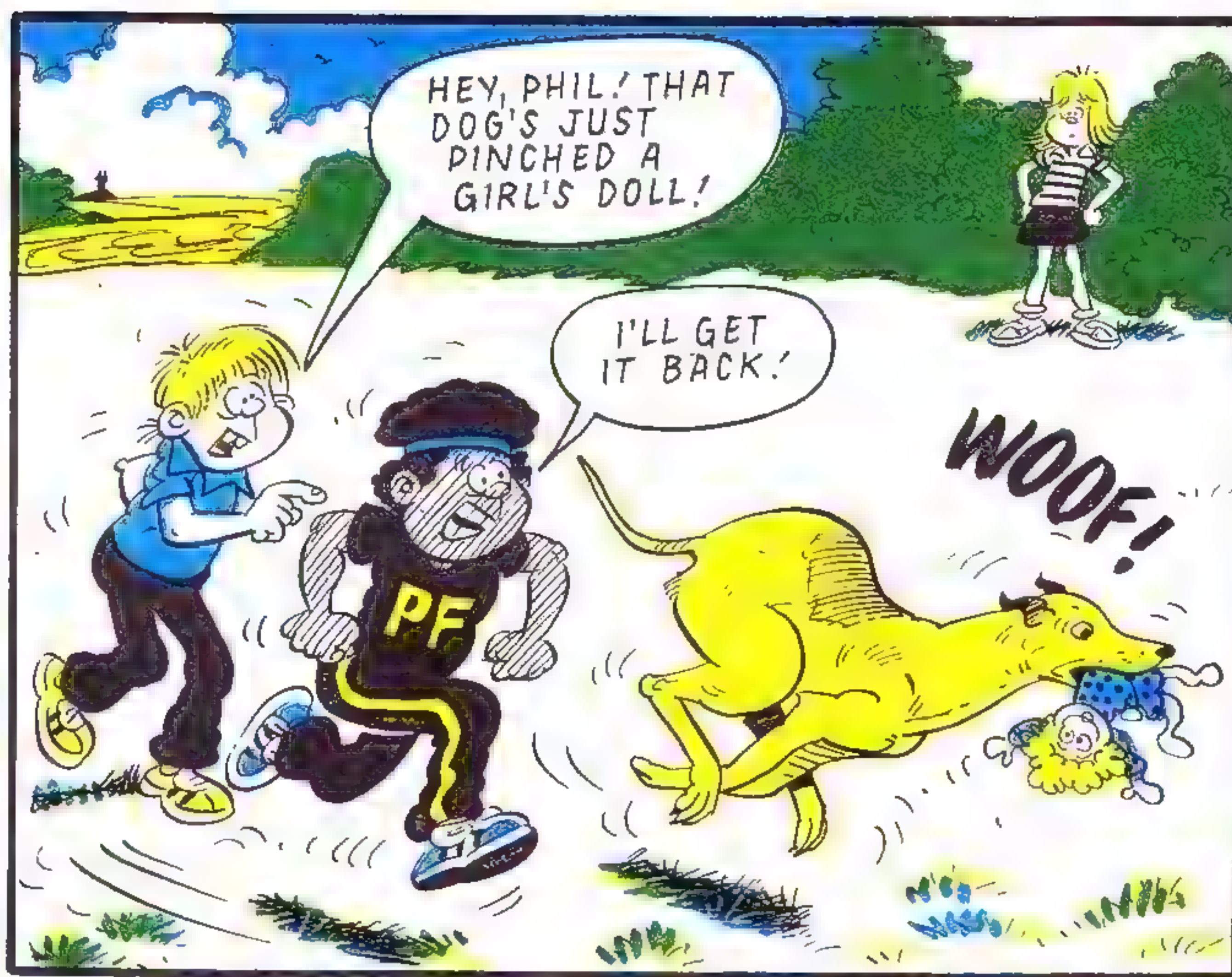


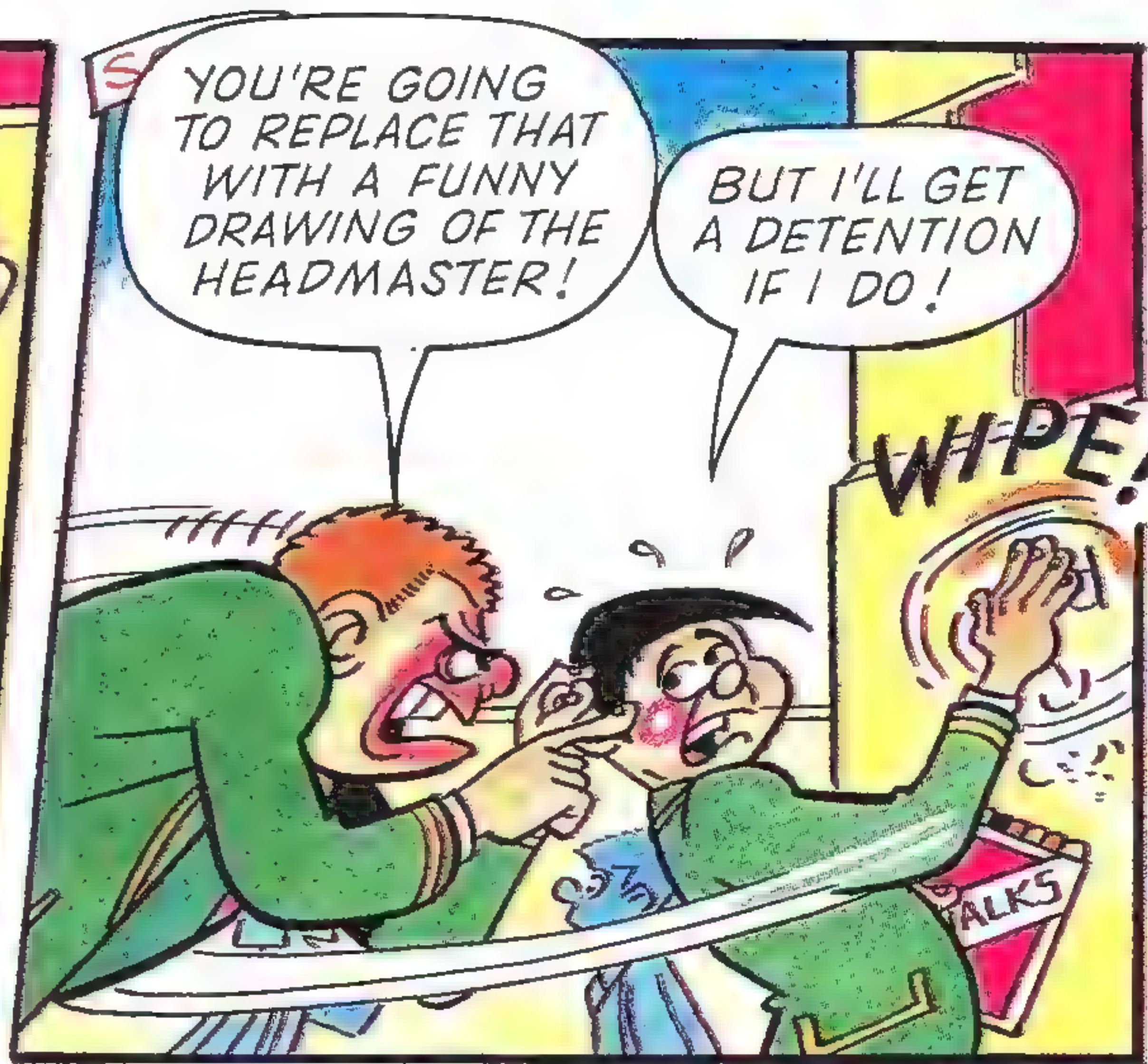
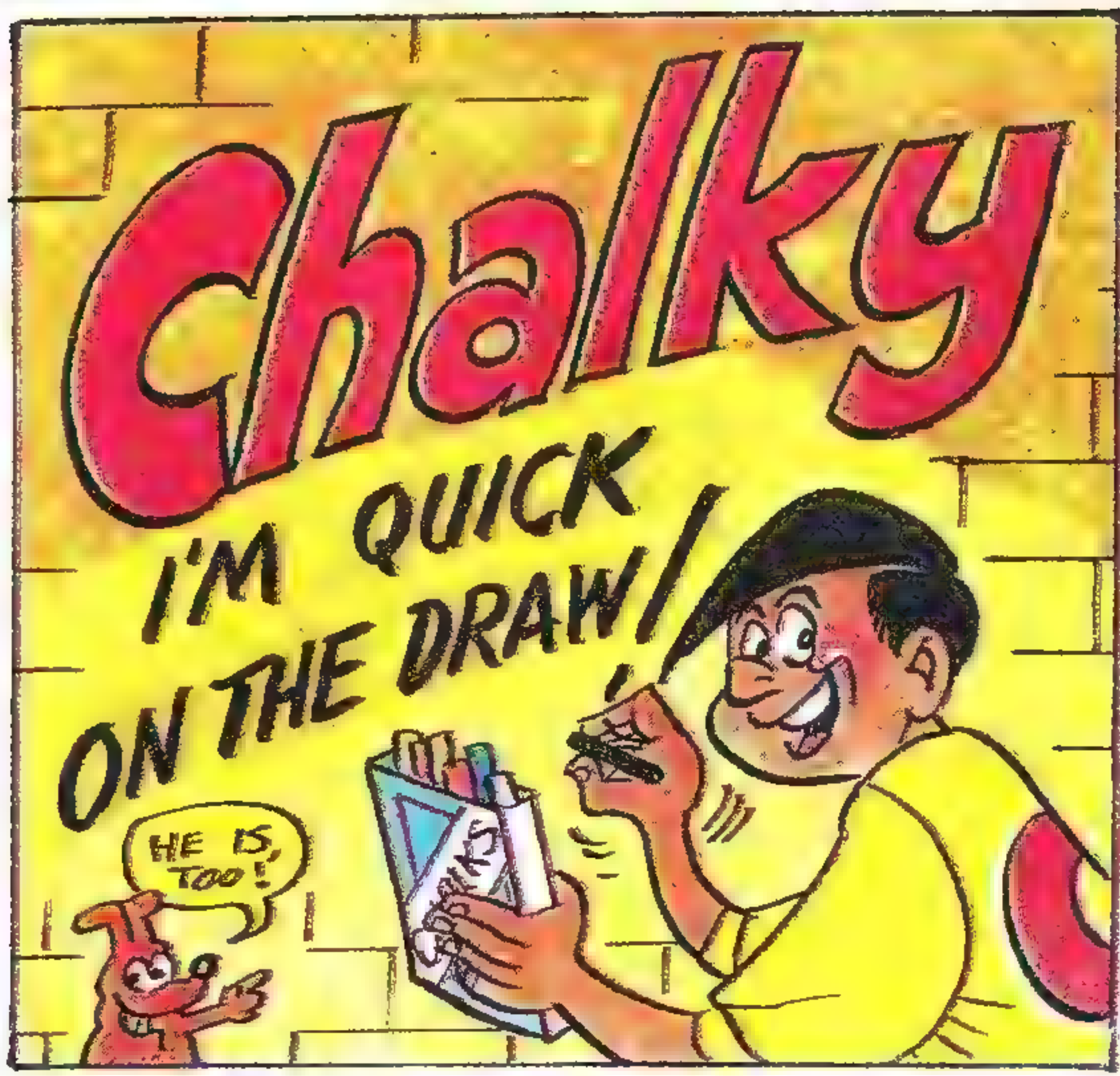
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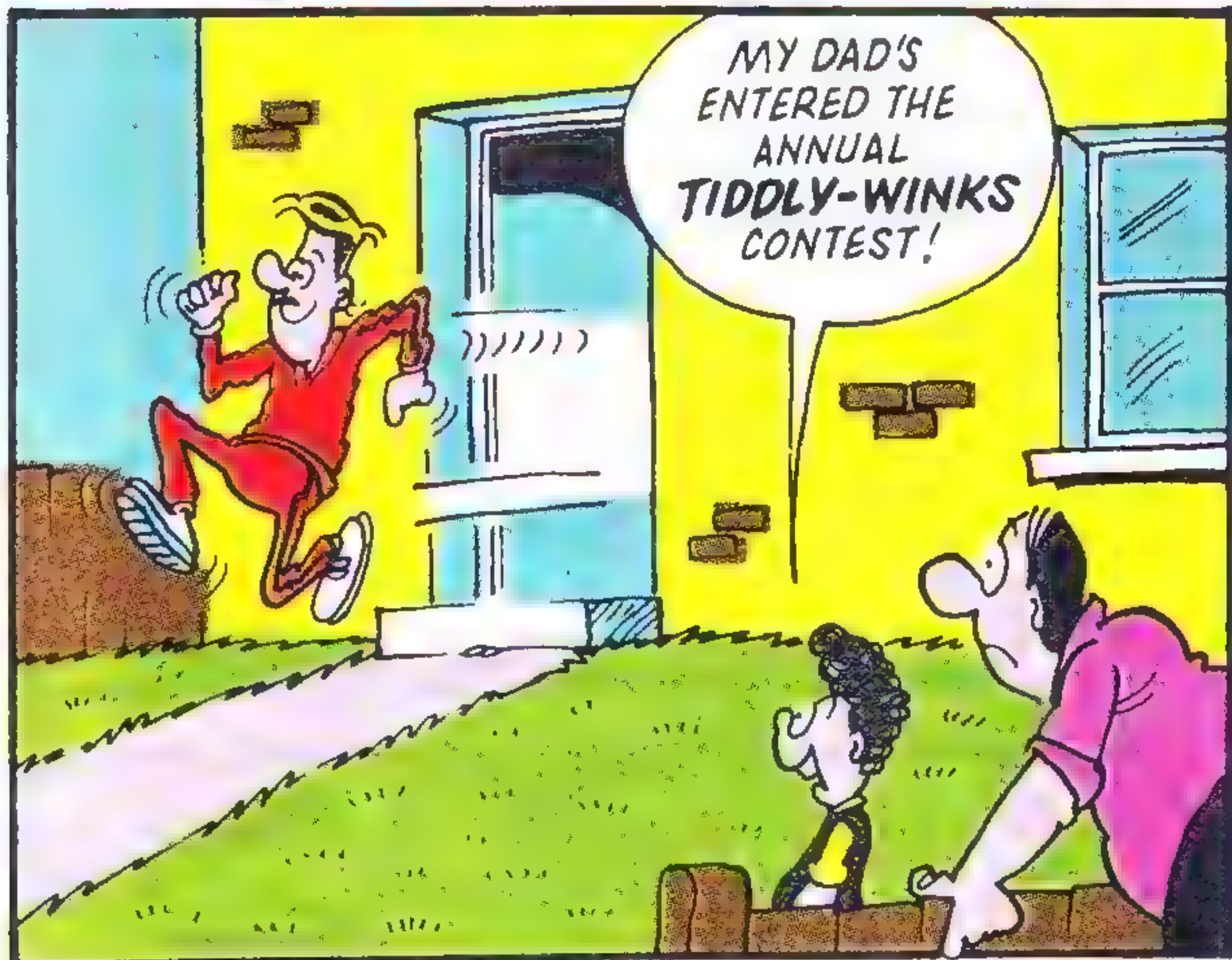
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The WINNERS



MY DAD'S ENTERED THE ANNUAL TIDDLY-WINKS CONTEST!



SO WHAT'S HE DOING NOW?

TIDDLY-WINKS PLAYERS SPEND A LOT OF TIME ON THEIR HANDS AND KNEES...



... SO DAD'S GOING TO CRAWL ROUND THE GARDEN TWO HUNDRED TIMES TO TOUGHEN UP!

THEY'RE ALL LOOPY!



YOU'RE ON IN THE FINAL GAME!

I'LL GET SOME PRACTISE SHOTS IN WHILE I'M WAITING...



DAD FLIPS THOSE COUNTERS LIKE A MACHINE GUN!

THAT'S WHY HE'S THE CHAMP!

FLIP! PING! FLIP!



BUT...

UH-OH!

SNORE! SPLUTTER!



GRRR!

B-BUT IT WAS AN ACCIDENT!



THUD! WALLOP!



GROAN! I CAN'T SEE PROPERLY TO PLAY NOW!

POOR DAD! PITY HE WASN'T A CHAMP BOXER AS WELL!



YOU'LL HAVE TO GO ON INSTEAD OF ME!

EH? BUT I'M NOT AS GOOD AS YOU!



SO...

MRS. WINNER WILL PLAY DEAD EYE DICK DAWSON FOR THE CUP!

GO FOR IT, MUM!



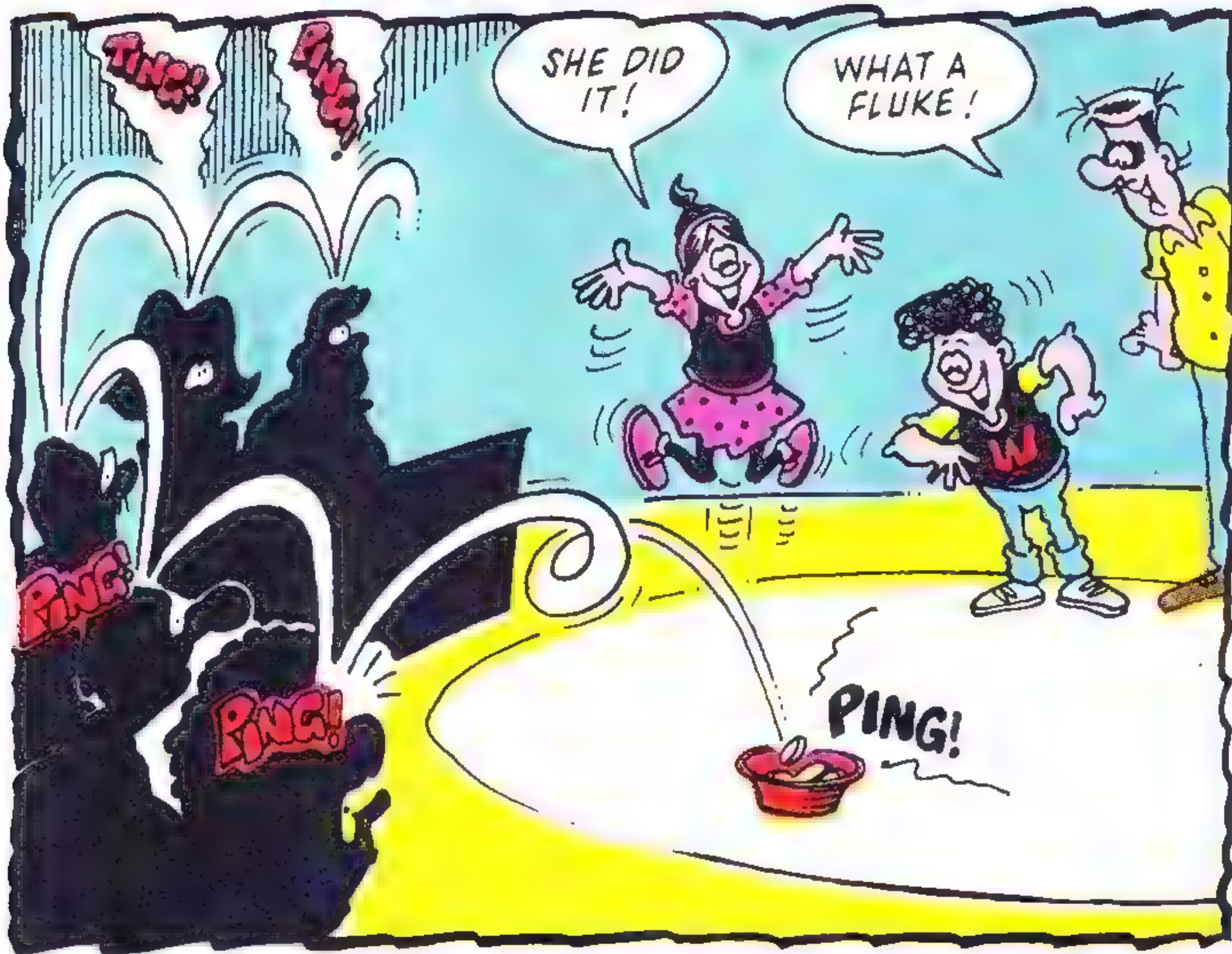
THEN...

DEADLY HUSH!

IF MUM GETS THIS ONE SHE'LL WIN!

IT'S A LONG SHOT... THE MOST DIFFICULT ONE OF ALL!

ISN'T IT EXCITING?



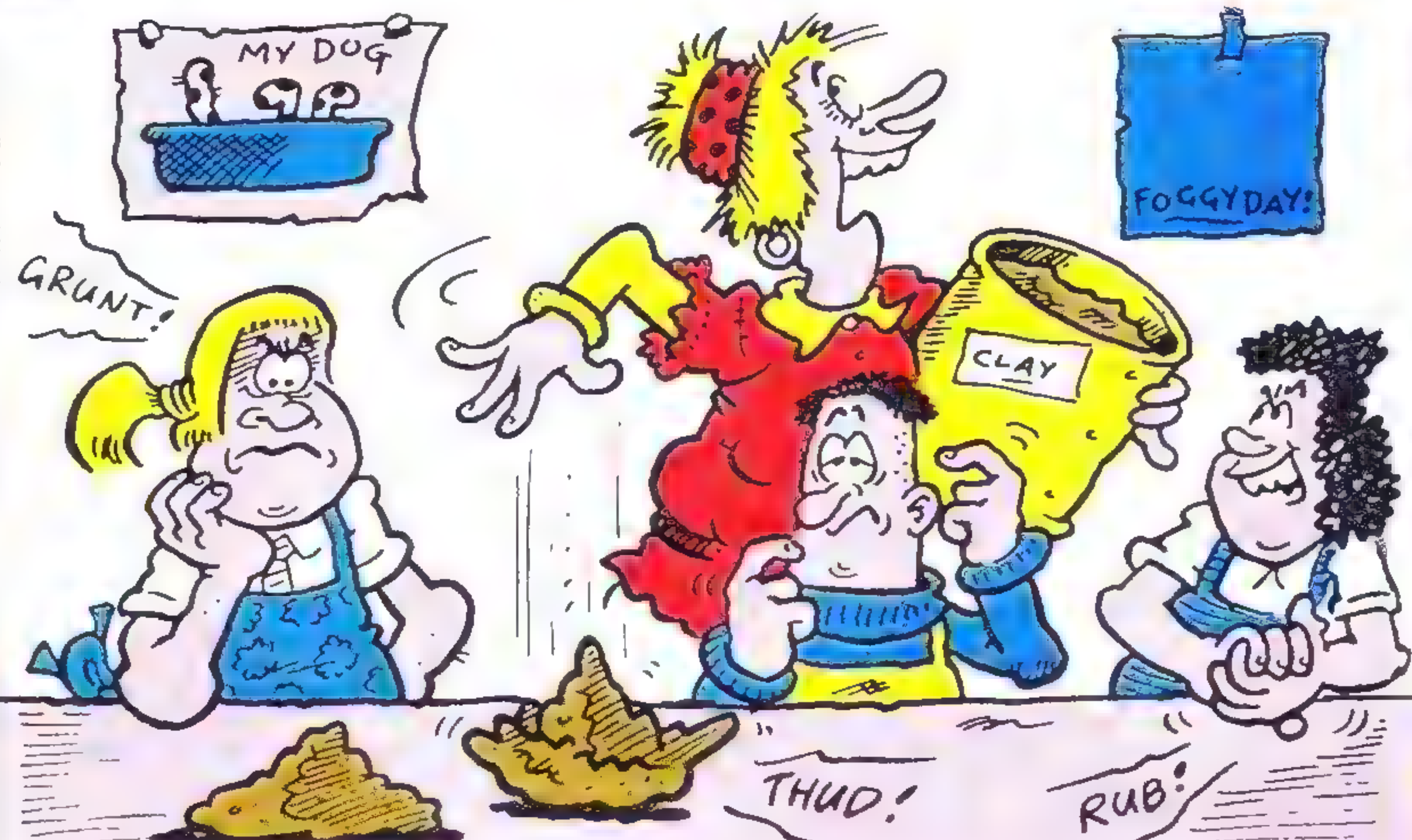
TEST YOURSELF...TEST YOURSELF

Are you Ambitious?

To find out, answer each of the questions, tick the appropriate one, then check your score, pals!

1

- At breakfast, Mum and Dad ask if you'd like the family to spend Christmas somewhere else for a change. Do you...
- A. Say you'd rather stay at home, as usual?
 - B. Suggest an old-fashioned hotel with roaring log fires?
 - C. Say you'd like to go to Greenland and meet Santa Claus?



2

Craft class, and Teach says you're all to make something out of clay. Do you...

- A. Start making a tea-set 'cos pots are boring?
- B. Begin work on a life-size model of Big Ben?
- C. Dither about making a simple saucer?

3

Dinner break, and the class show-off bets you a sweet that he can run round the playground faster than you. Do you...

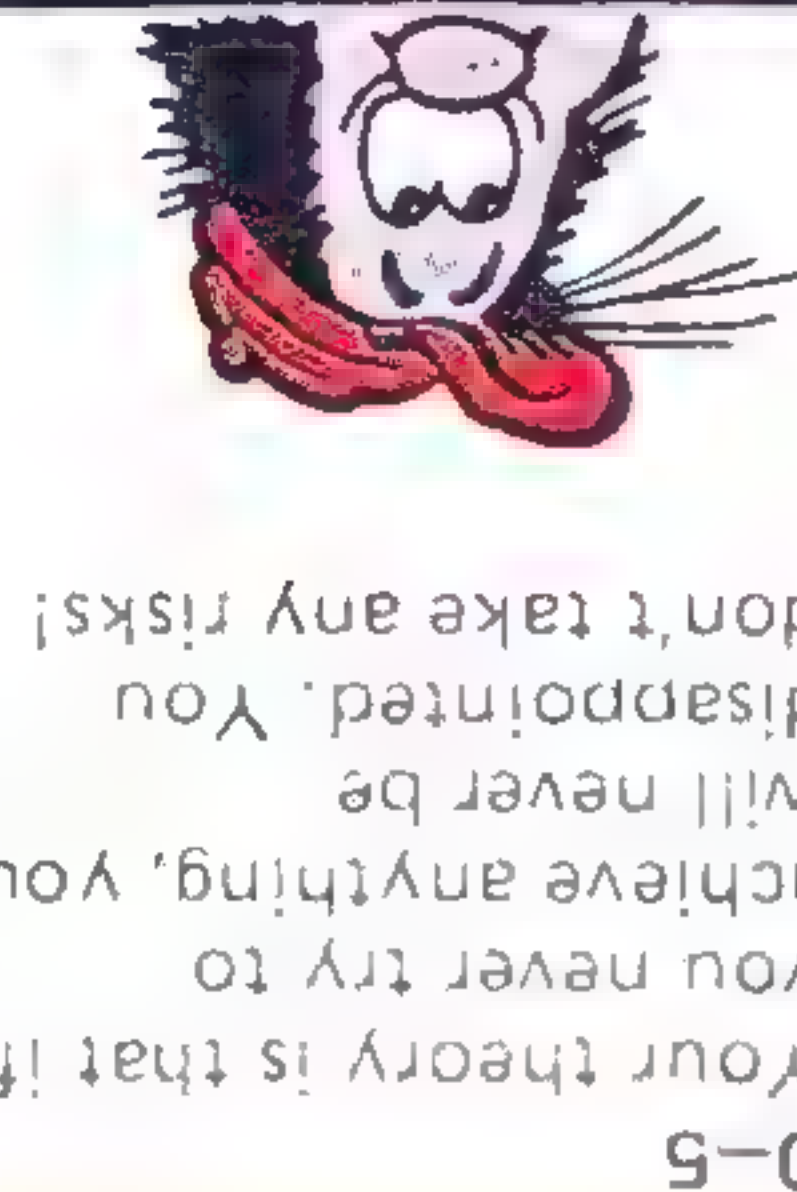
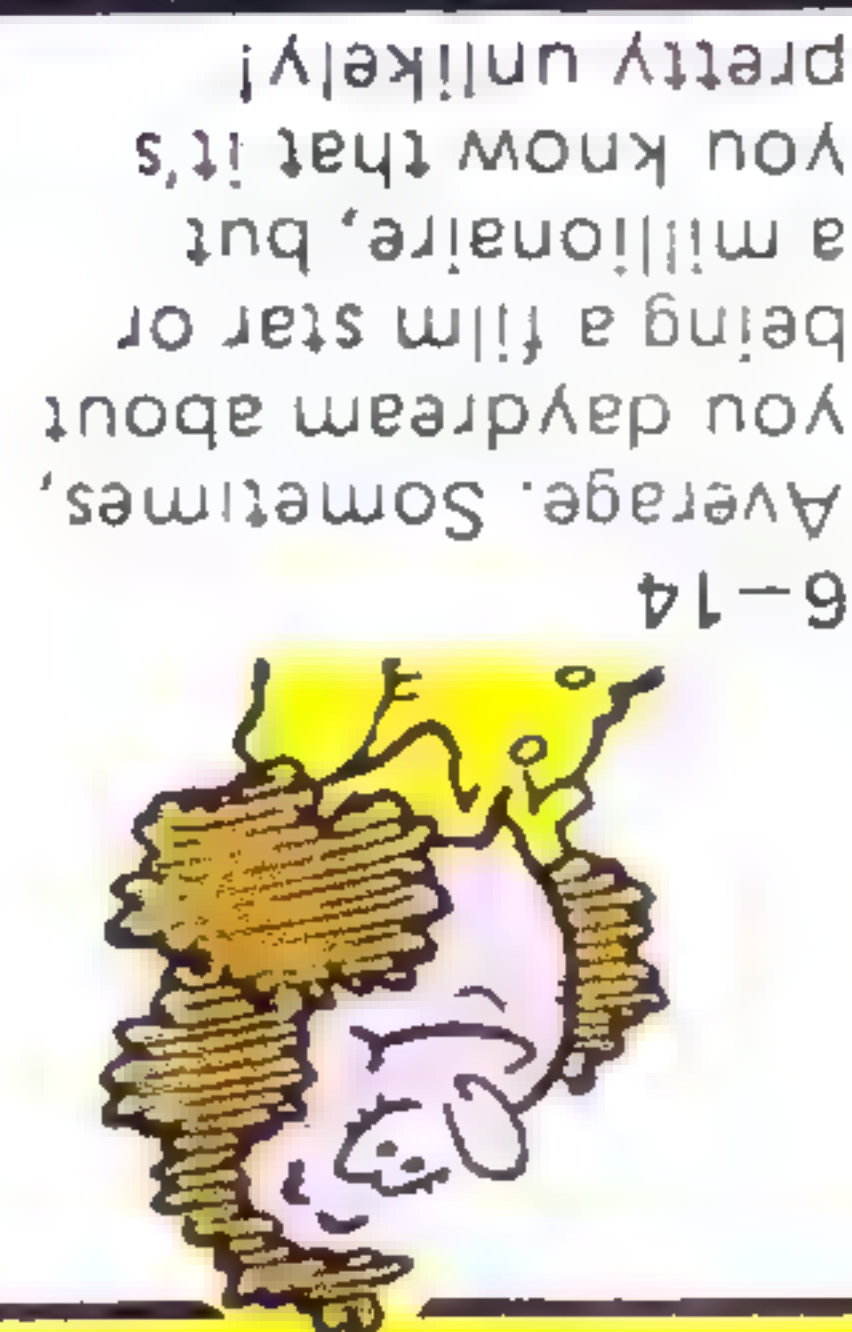
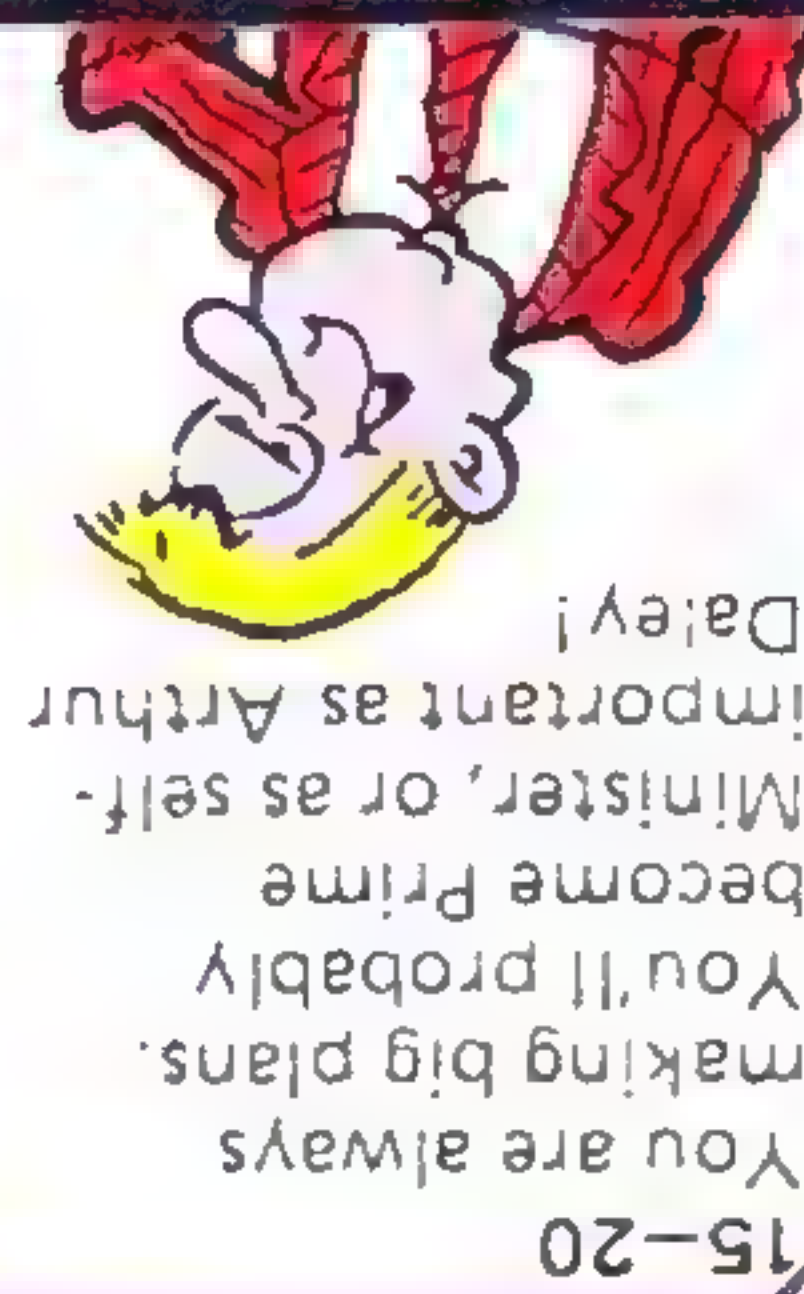
- A. Raise the bet to a bar of chocolate?
- B. Say you would race him, but you're wearing new shoes?
- C. Accept the challenge, but start limping if you're losing?

4

After school, Mum asks you to pop round to Gran's and help brighten up her garden. Do you...

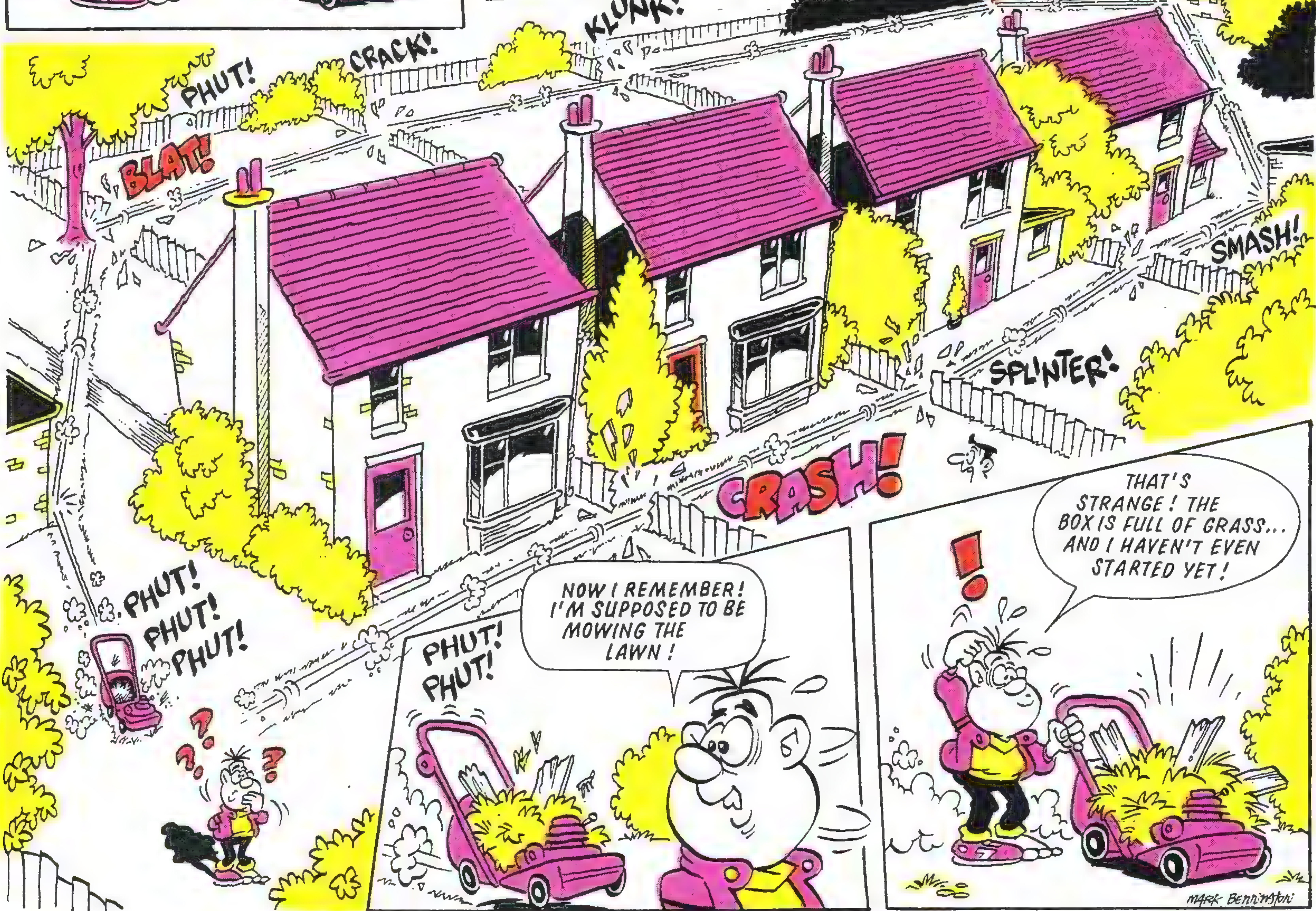
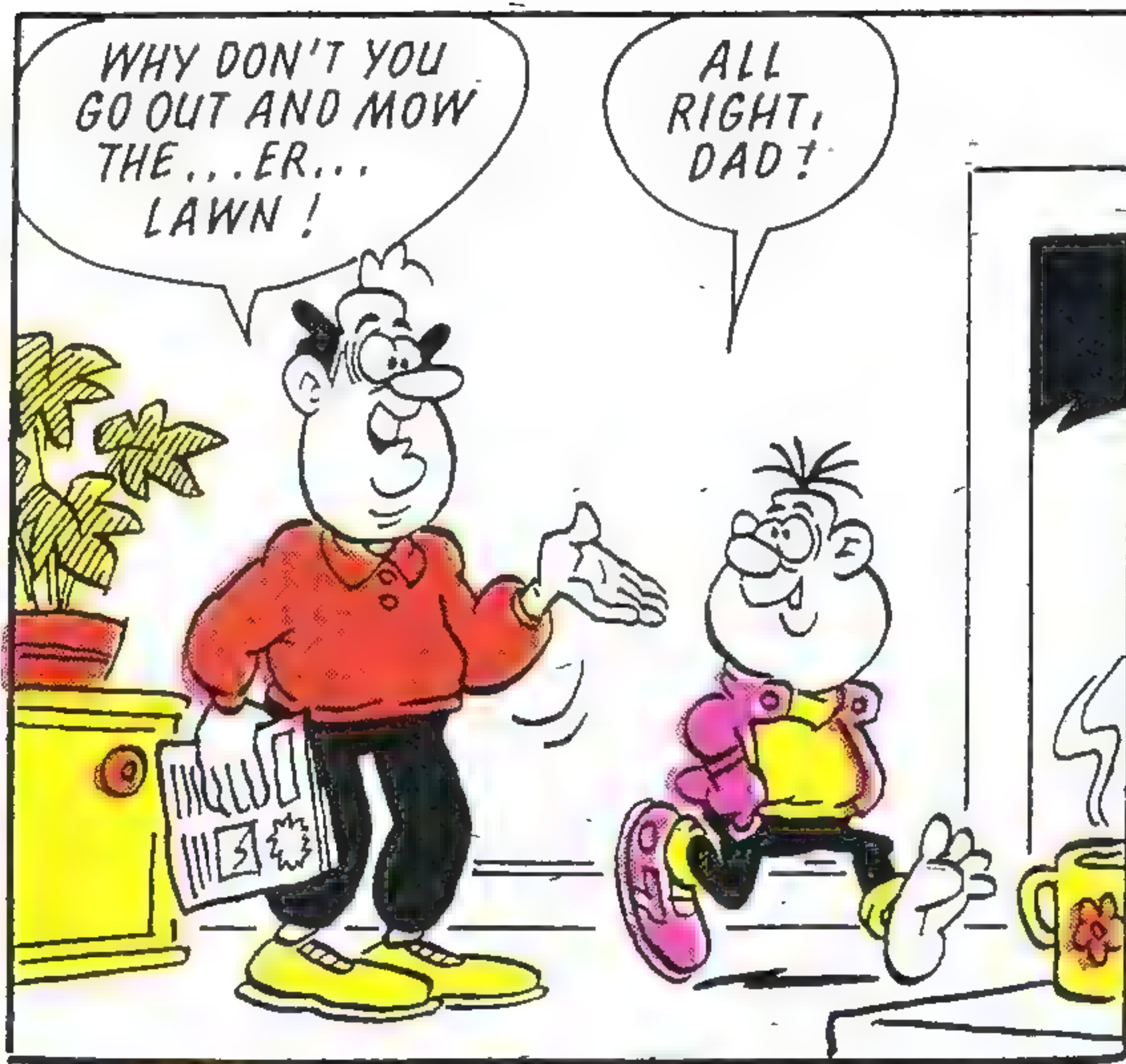
- A. Give the grass a quick snip, and scatter a few seeds about?
- B. Weed the garden and paint the flowerpots cheerful colours?
- C. Advise experts from the Chelsea Flower Show to book a visit to the garden when it's finished?

TURN THE PAGE TO CHECK YOUR SCORE

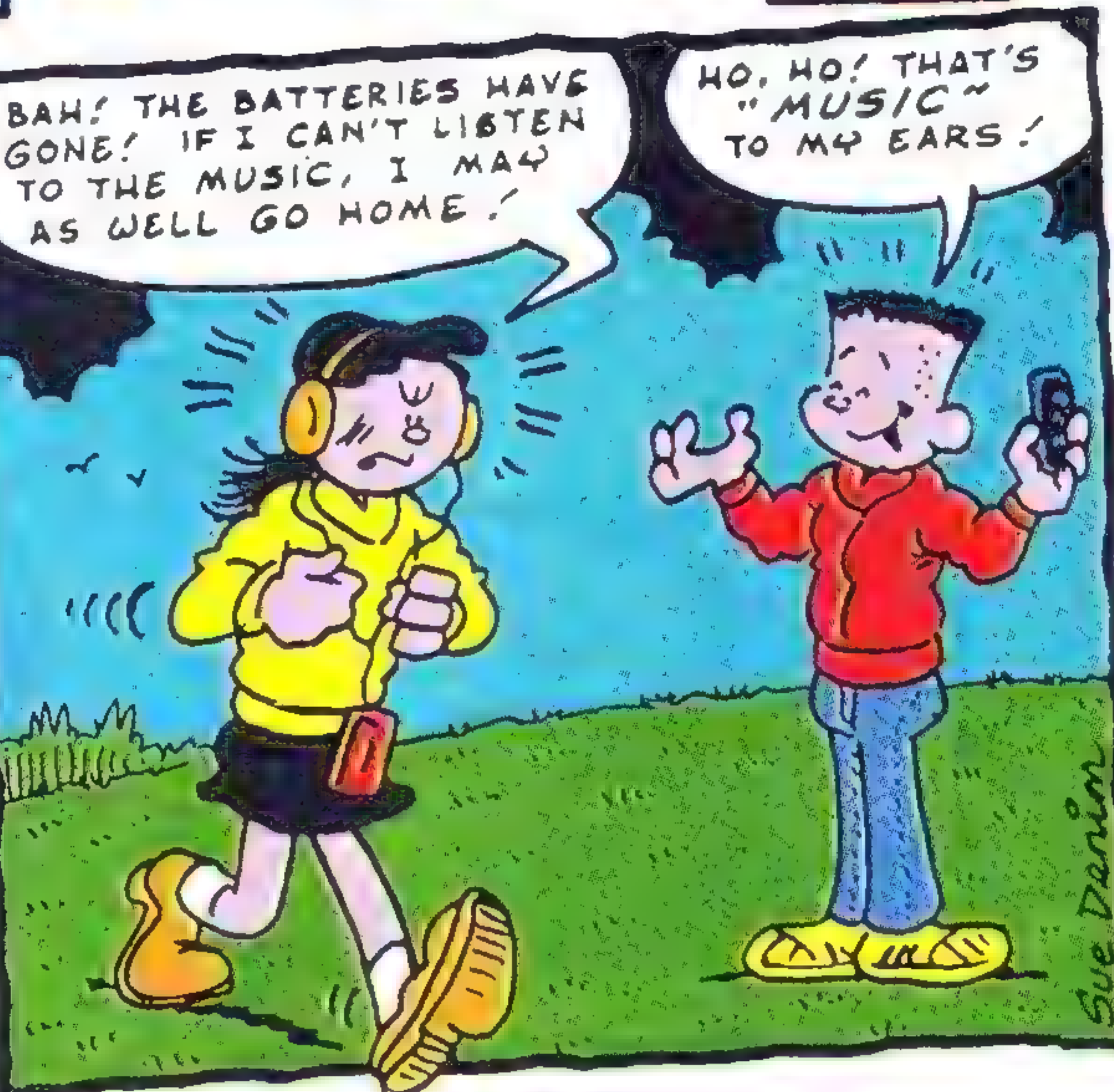
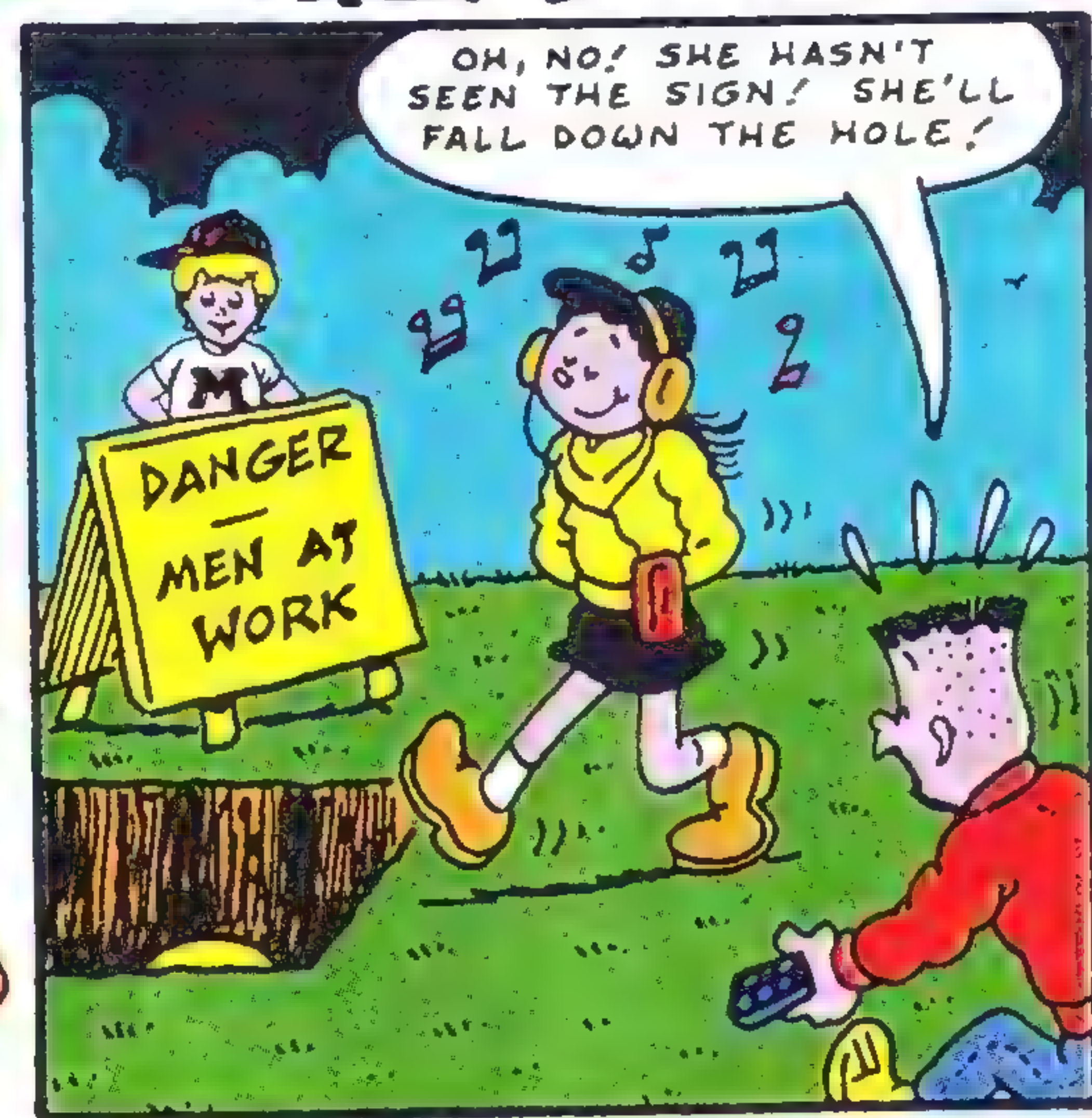
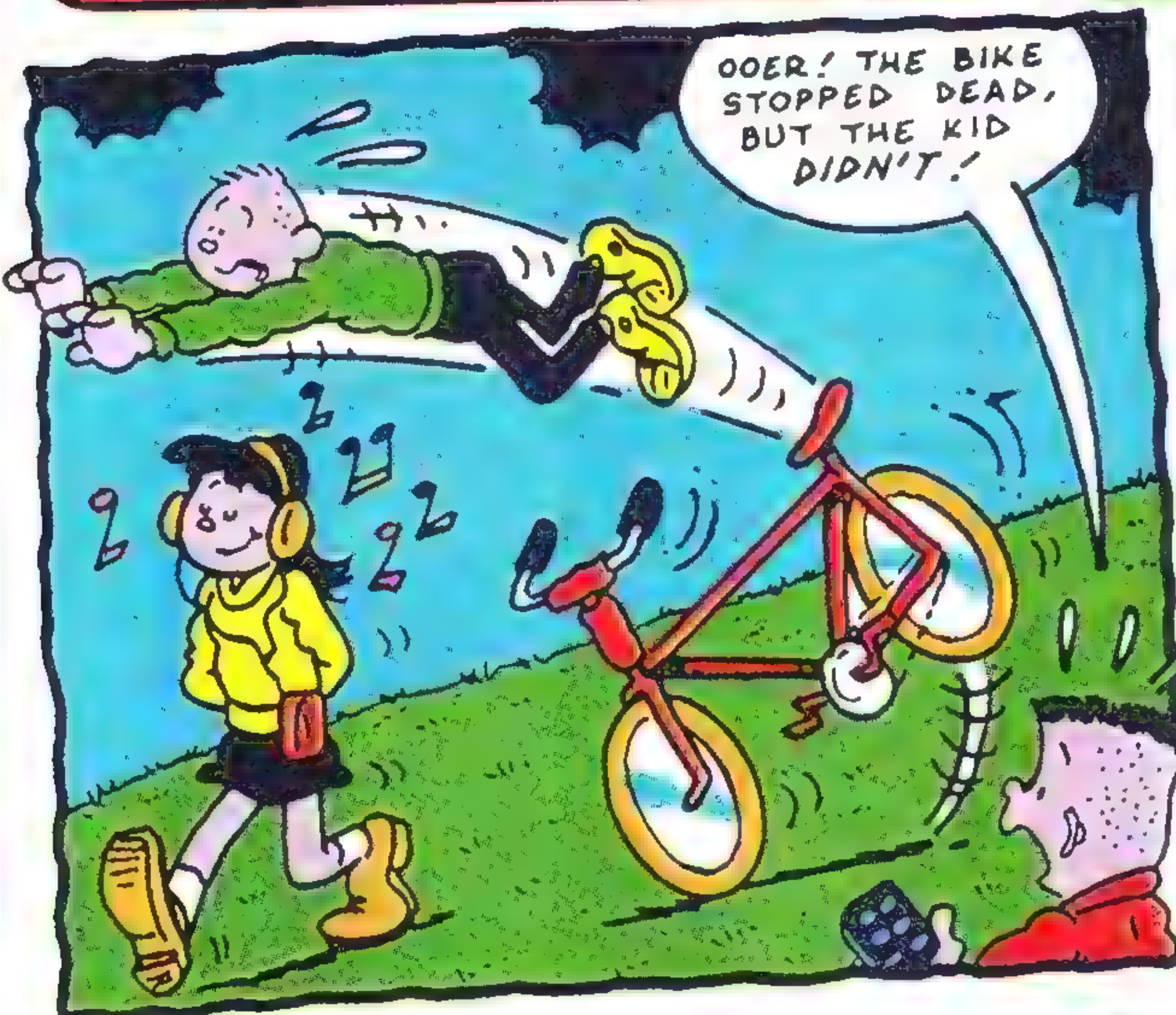
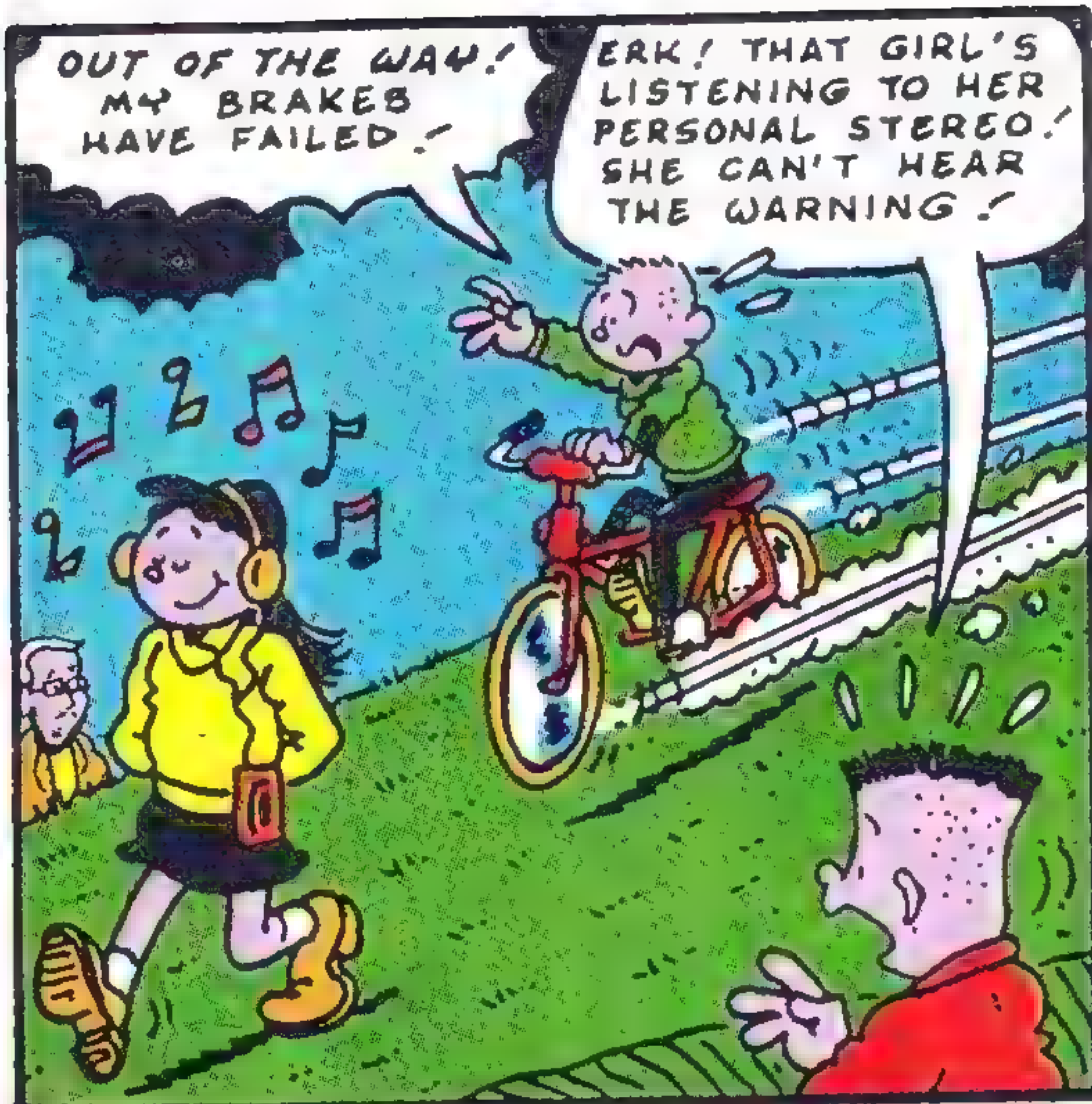


1. A-0, B-3, C-5; 2. A-3, B-5, C-0; 3. A-5, B-0, C-3; 4. A-0, B-3, C-5.

MEMORY BANKS



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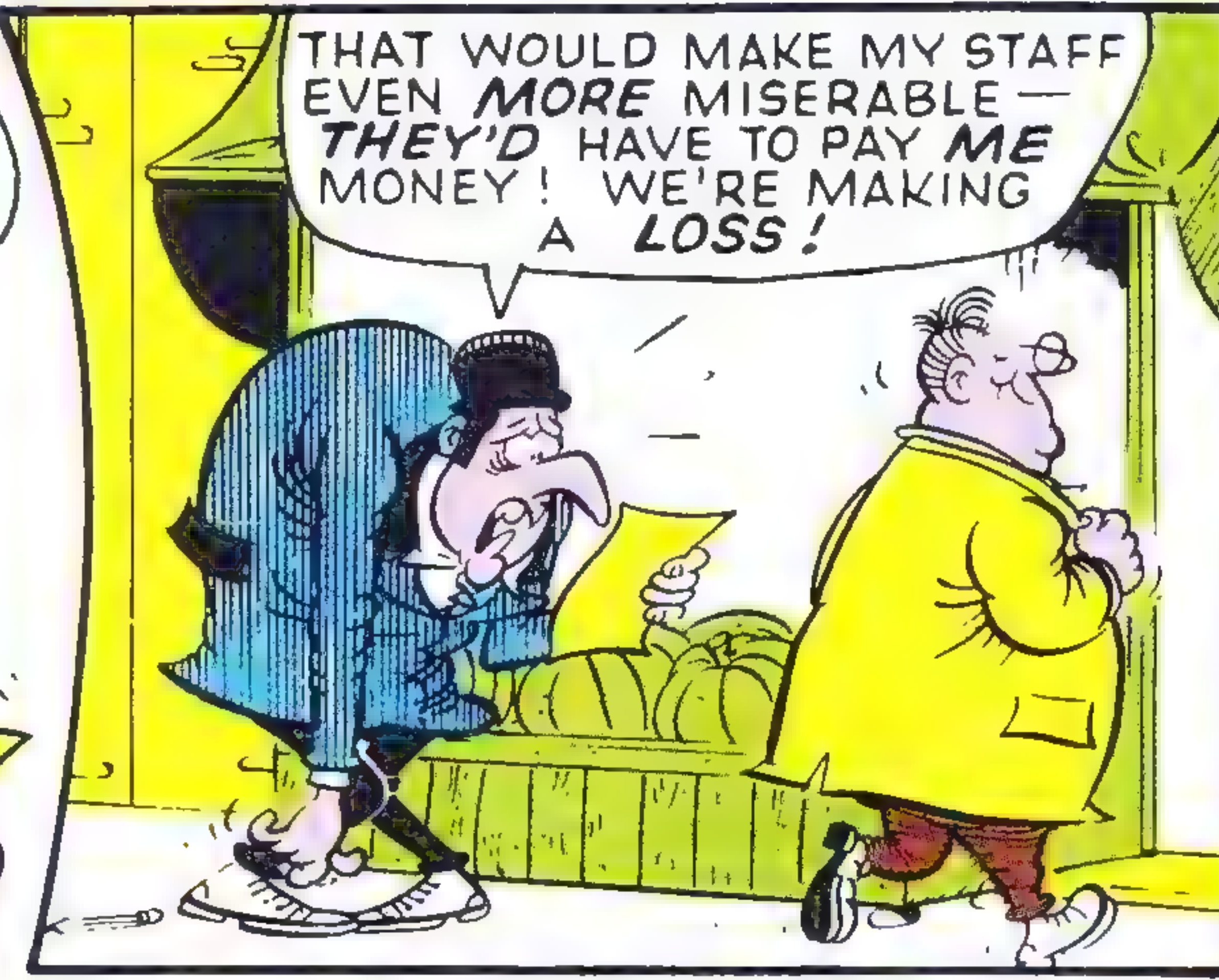
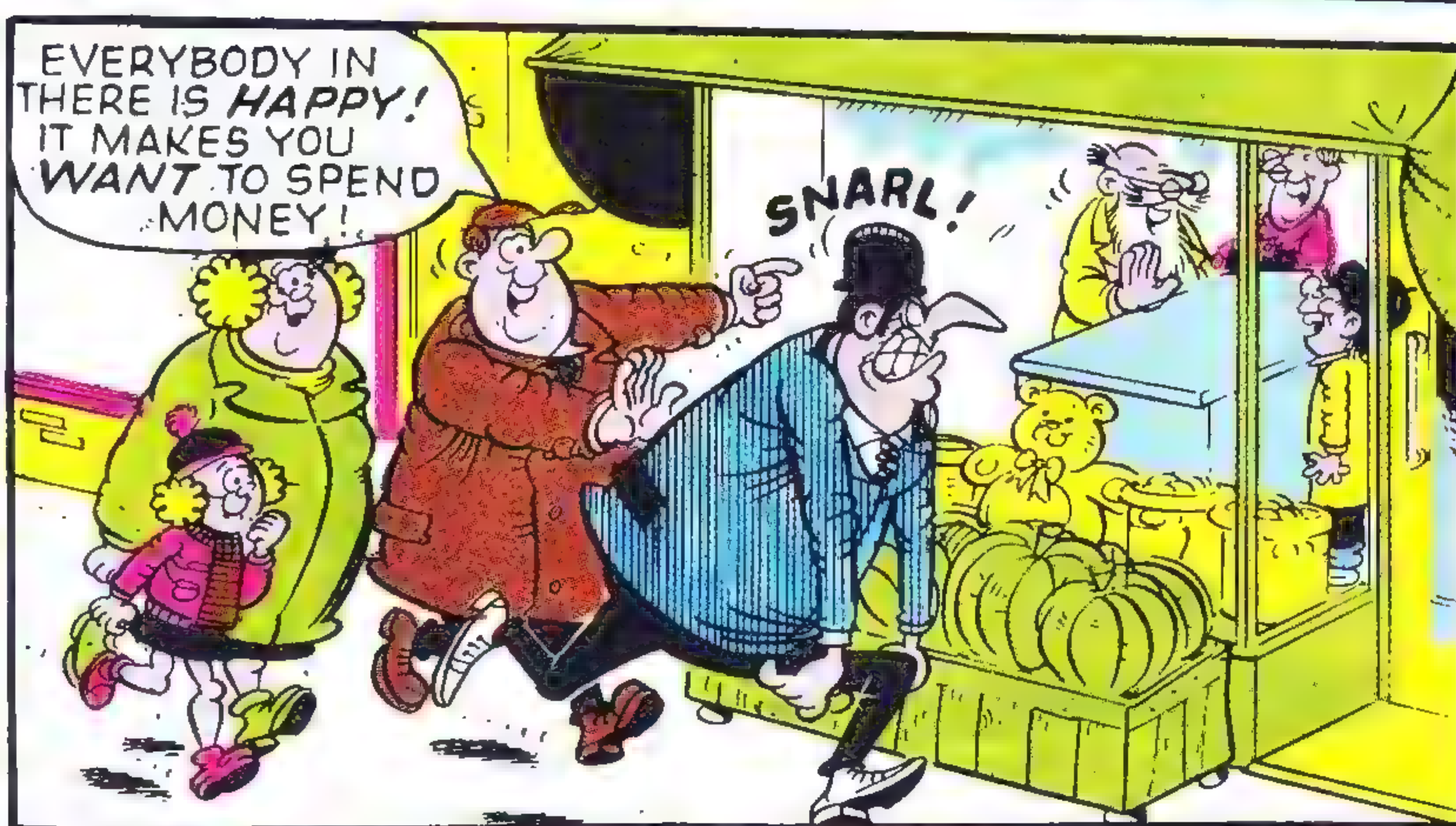
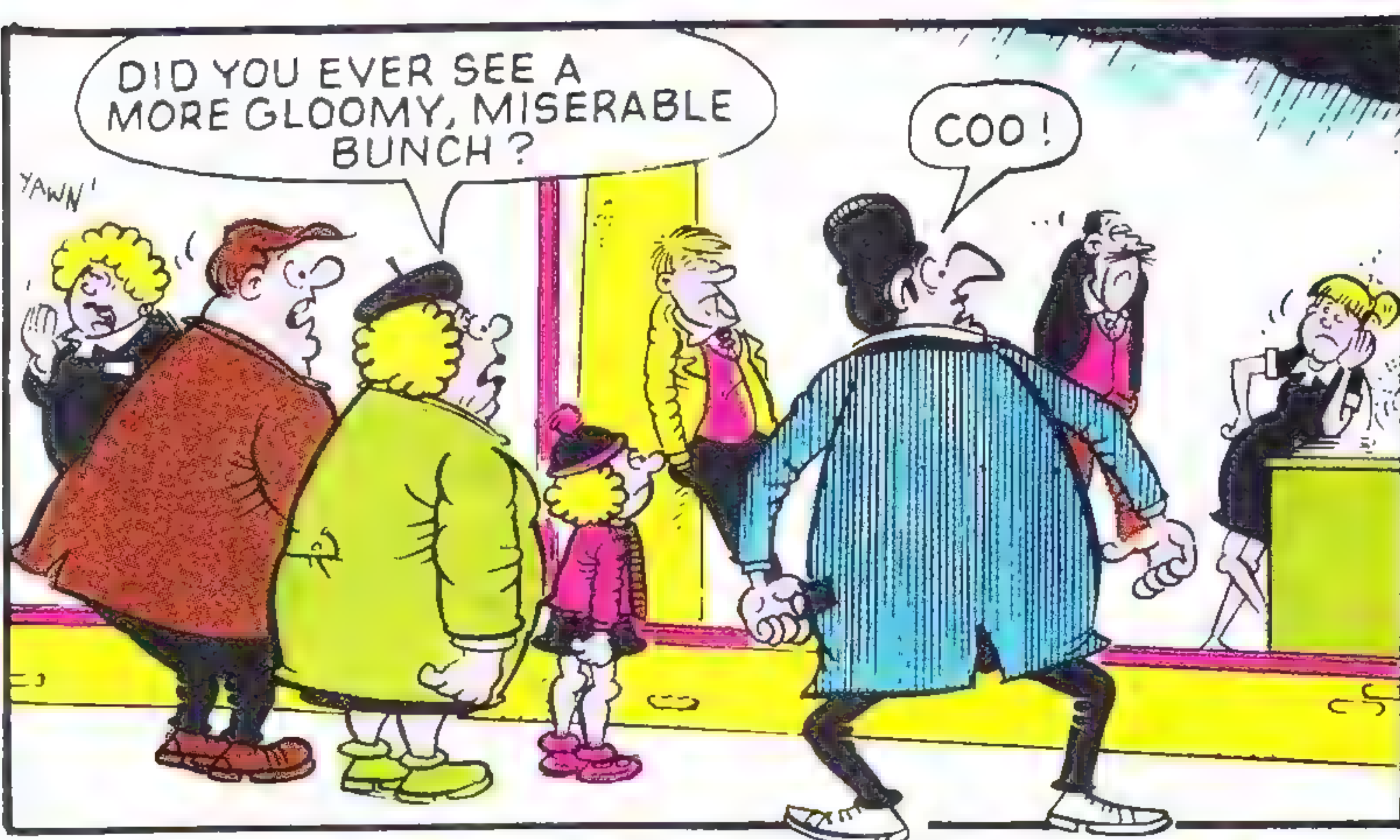
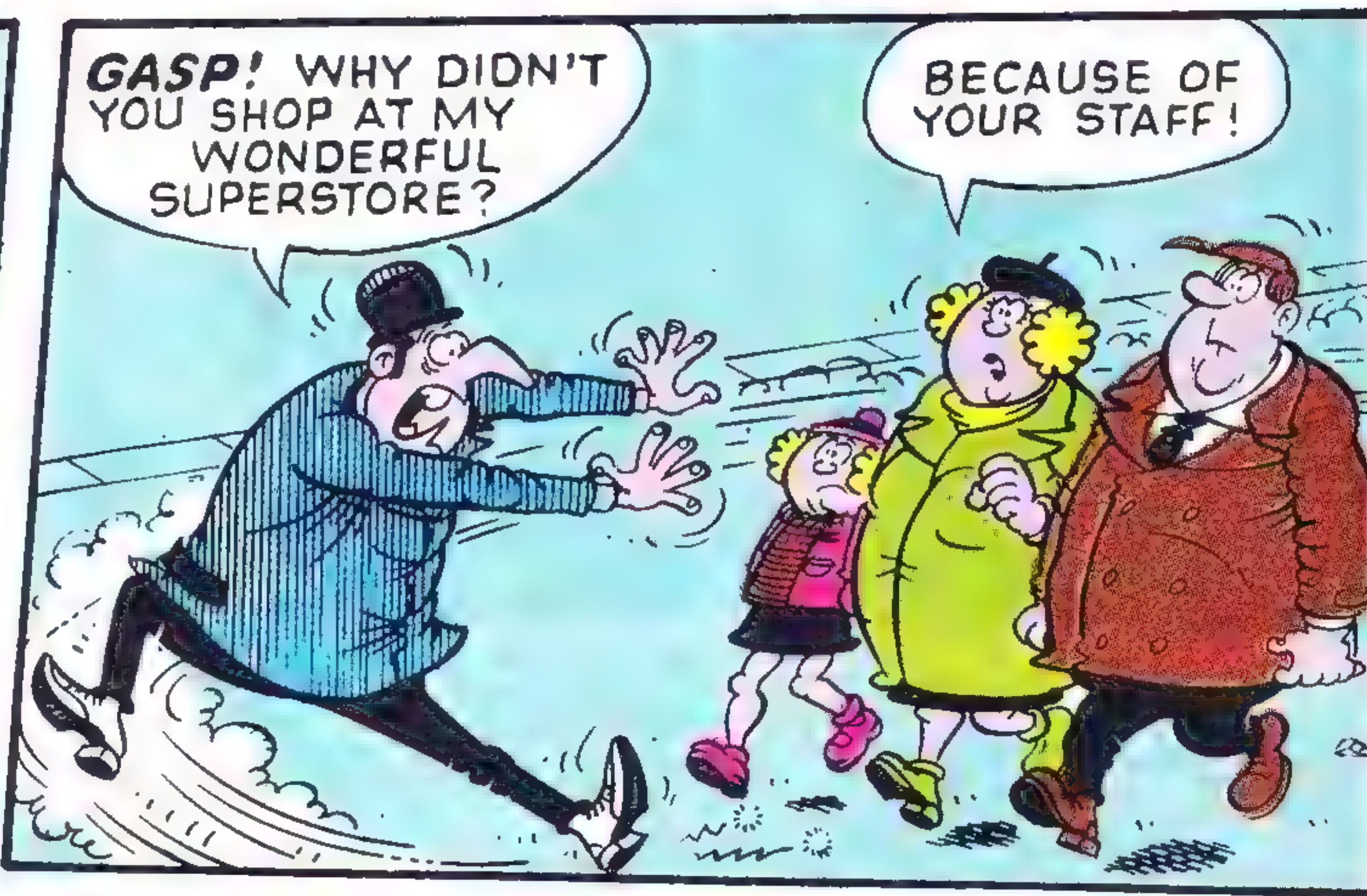
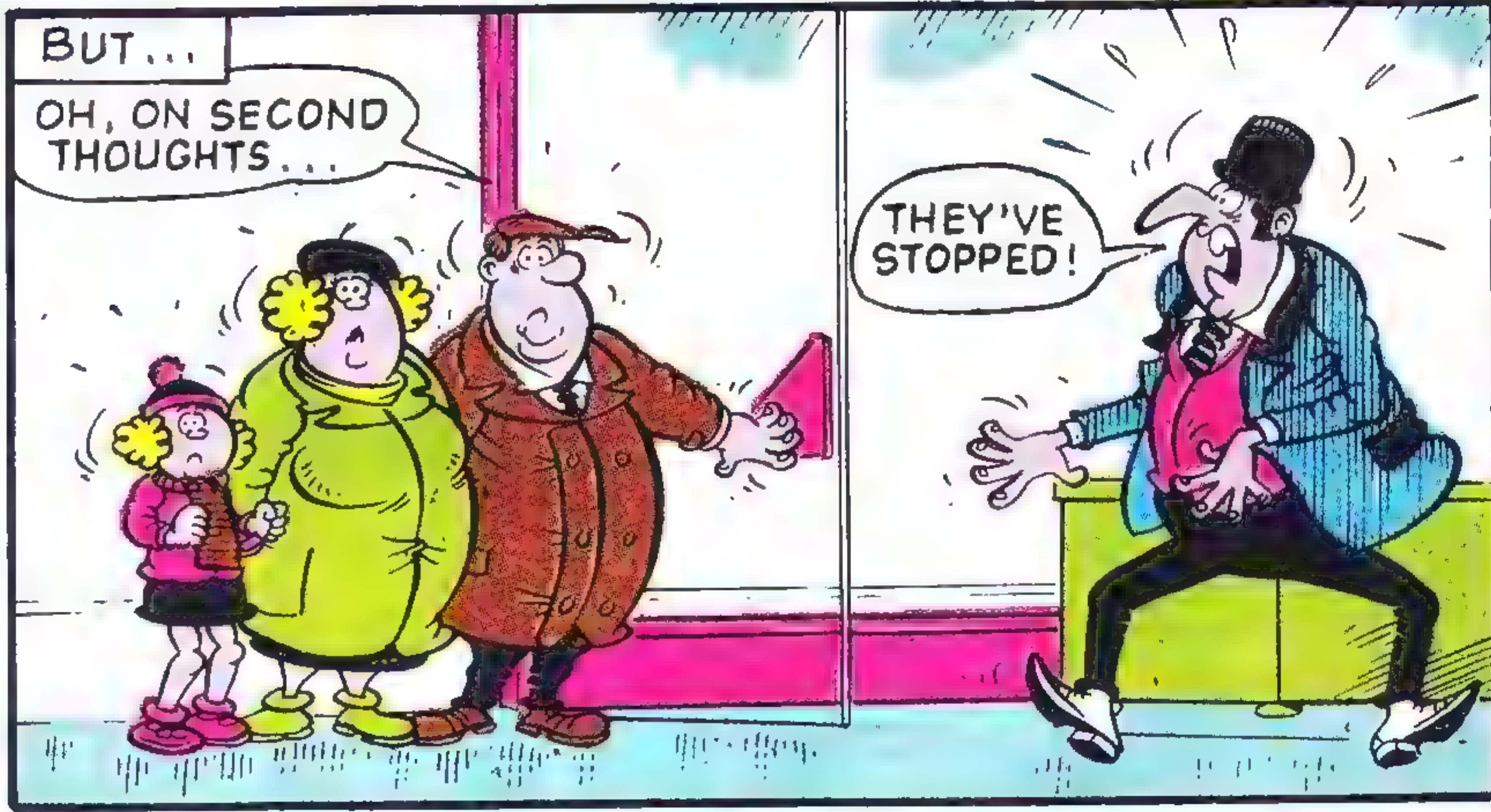


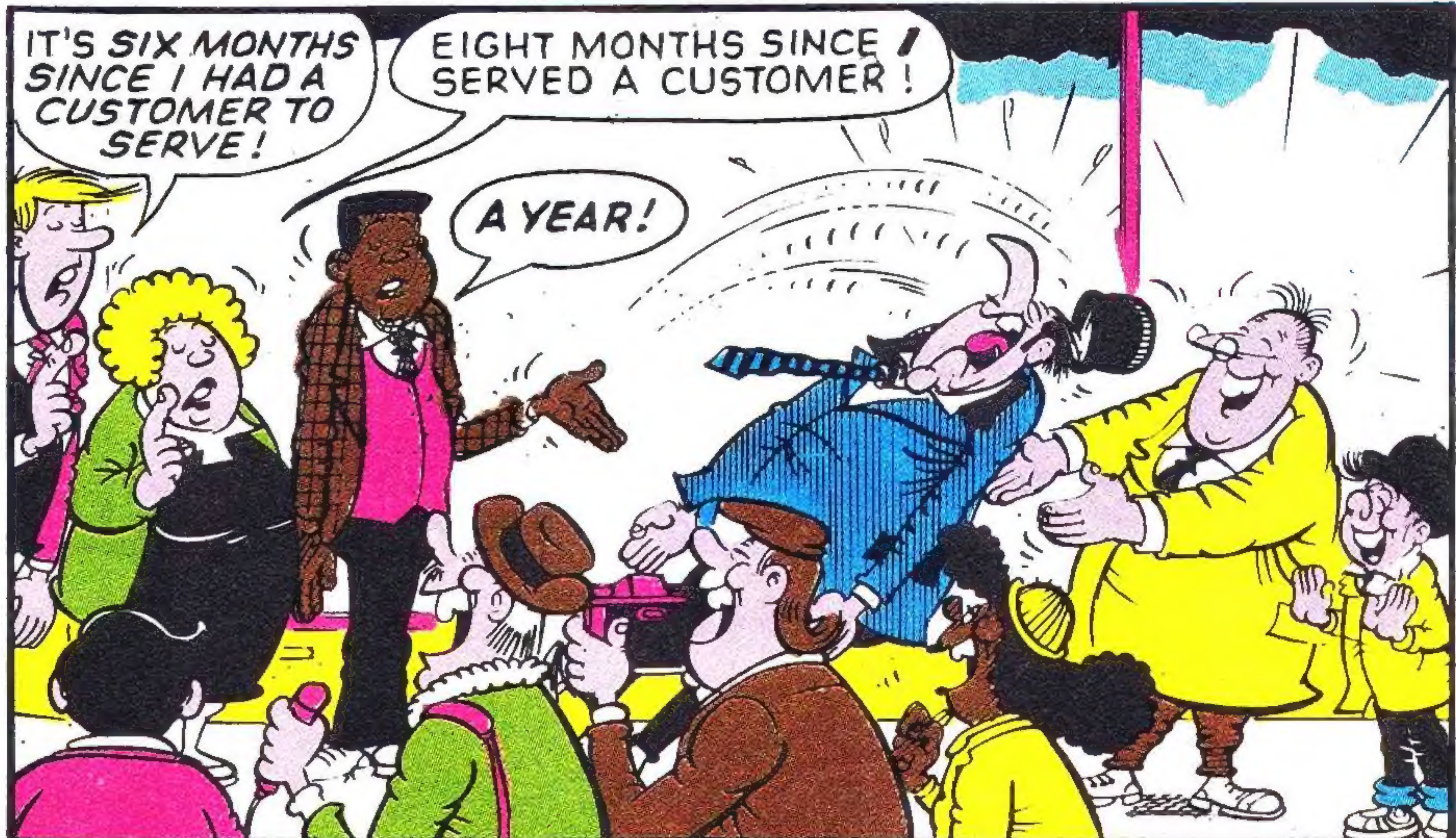
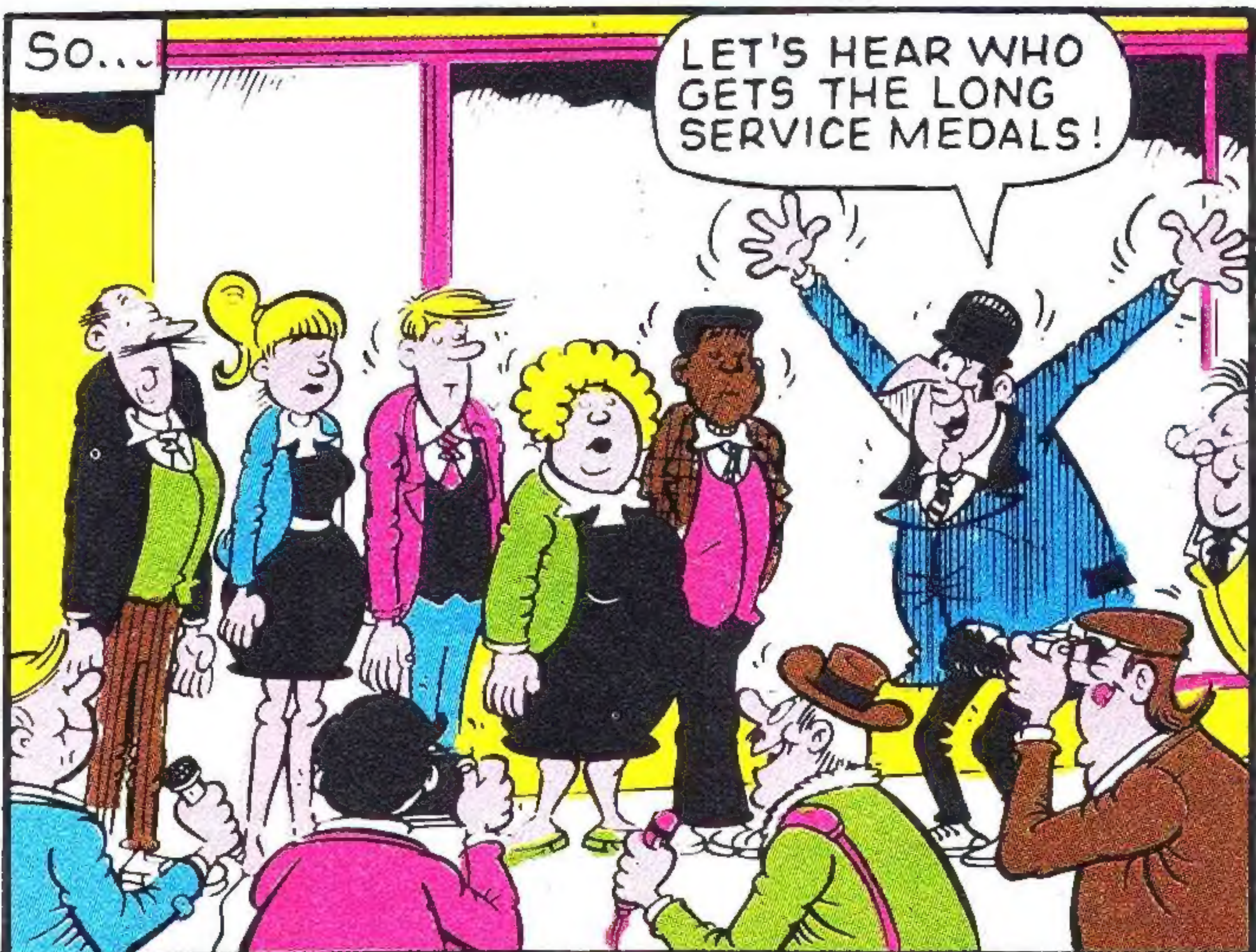
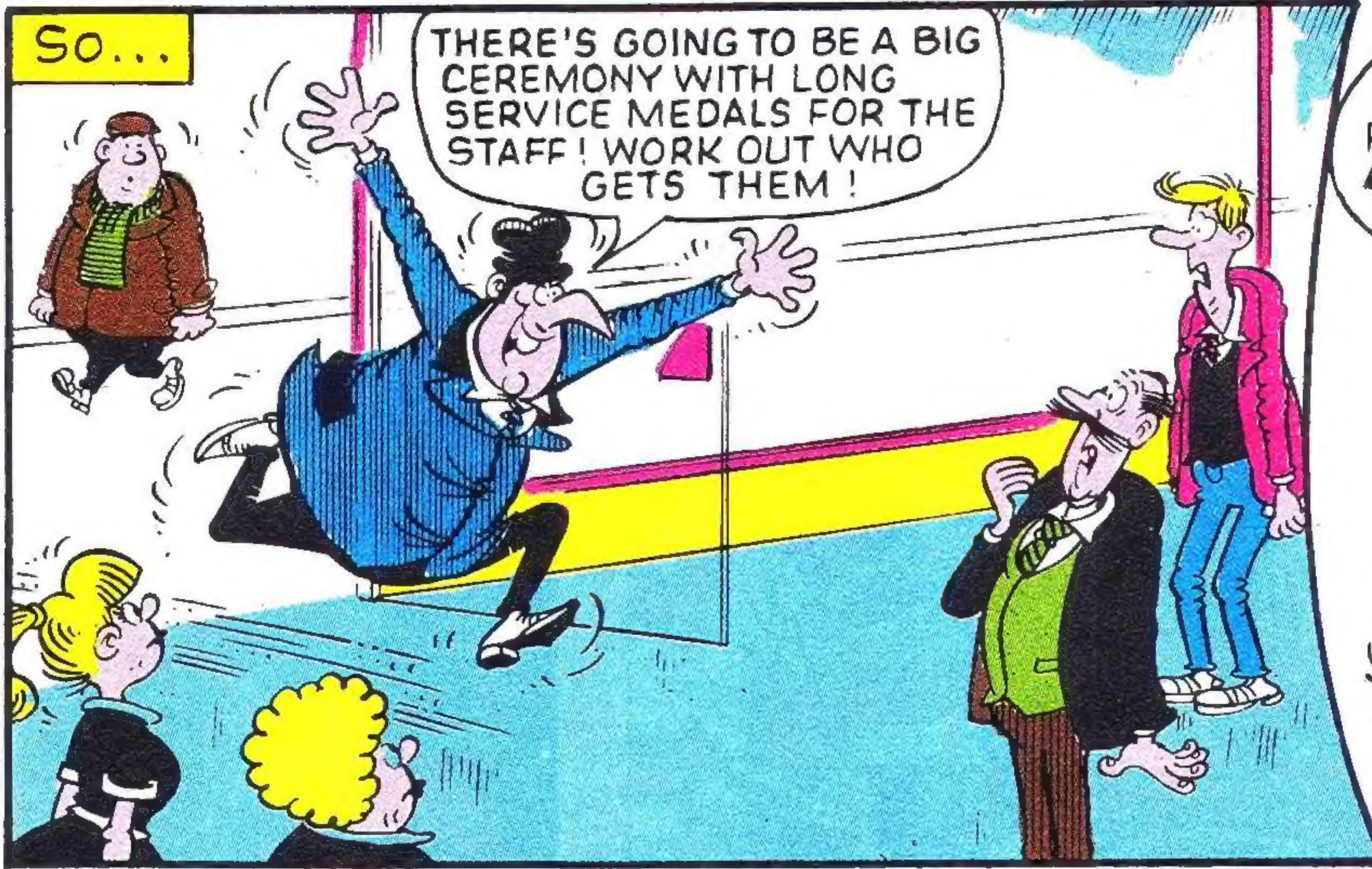
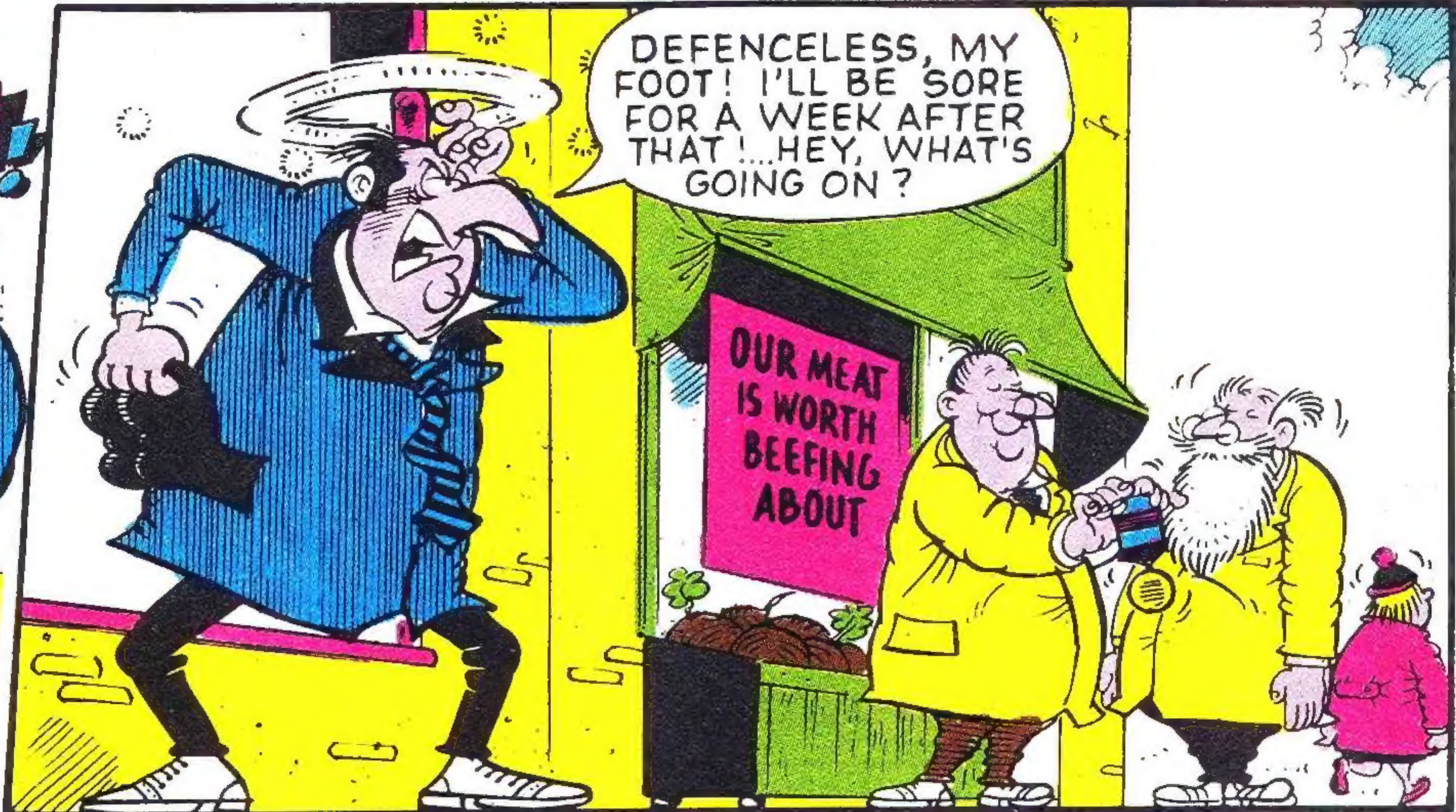
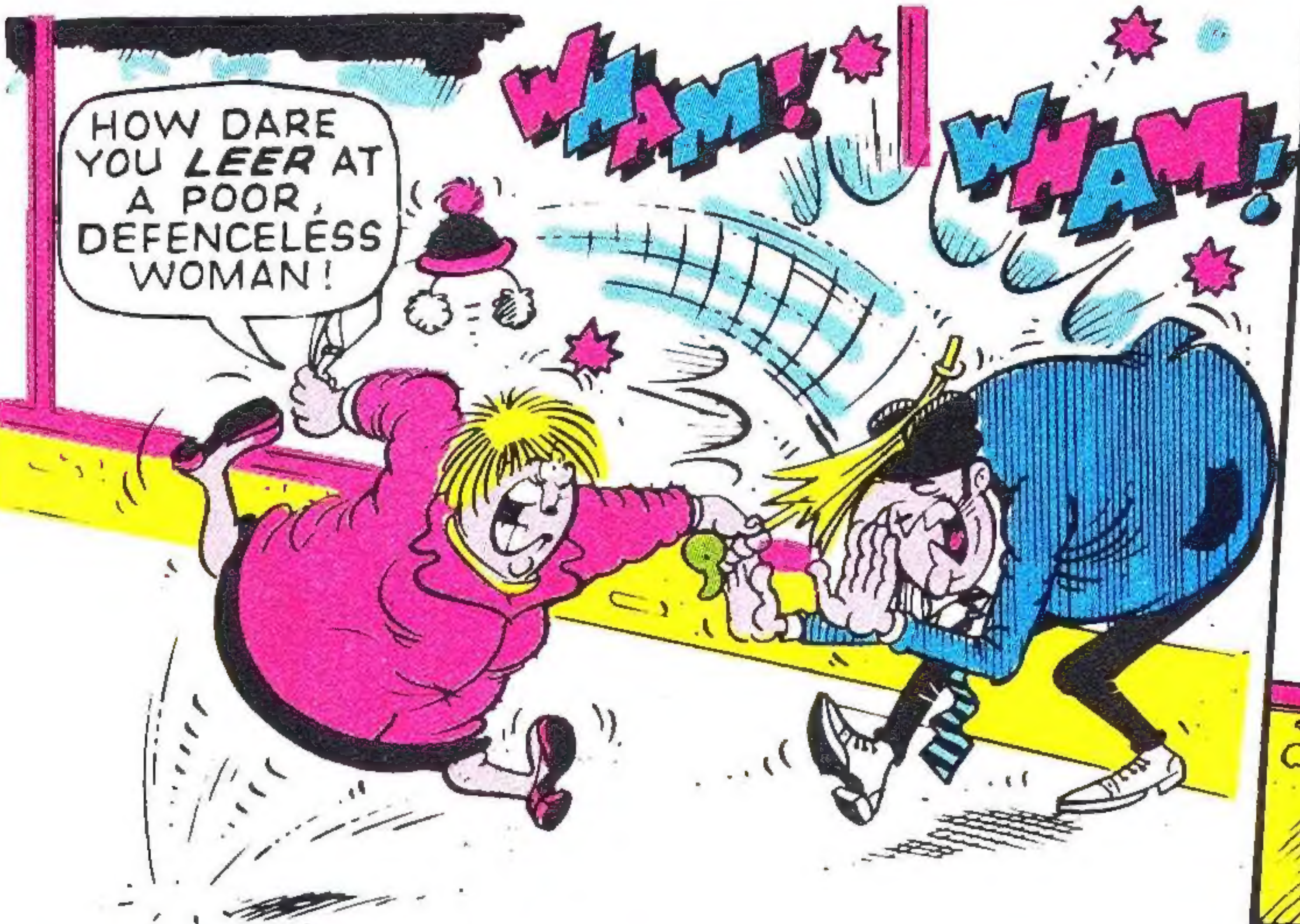
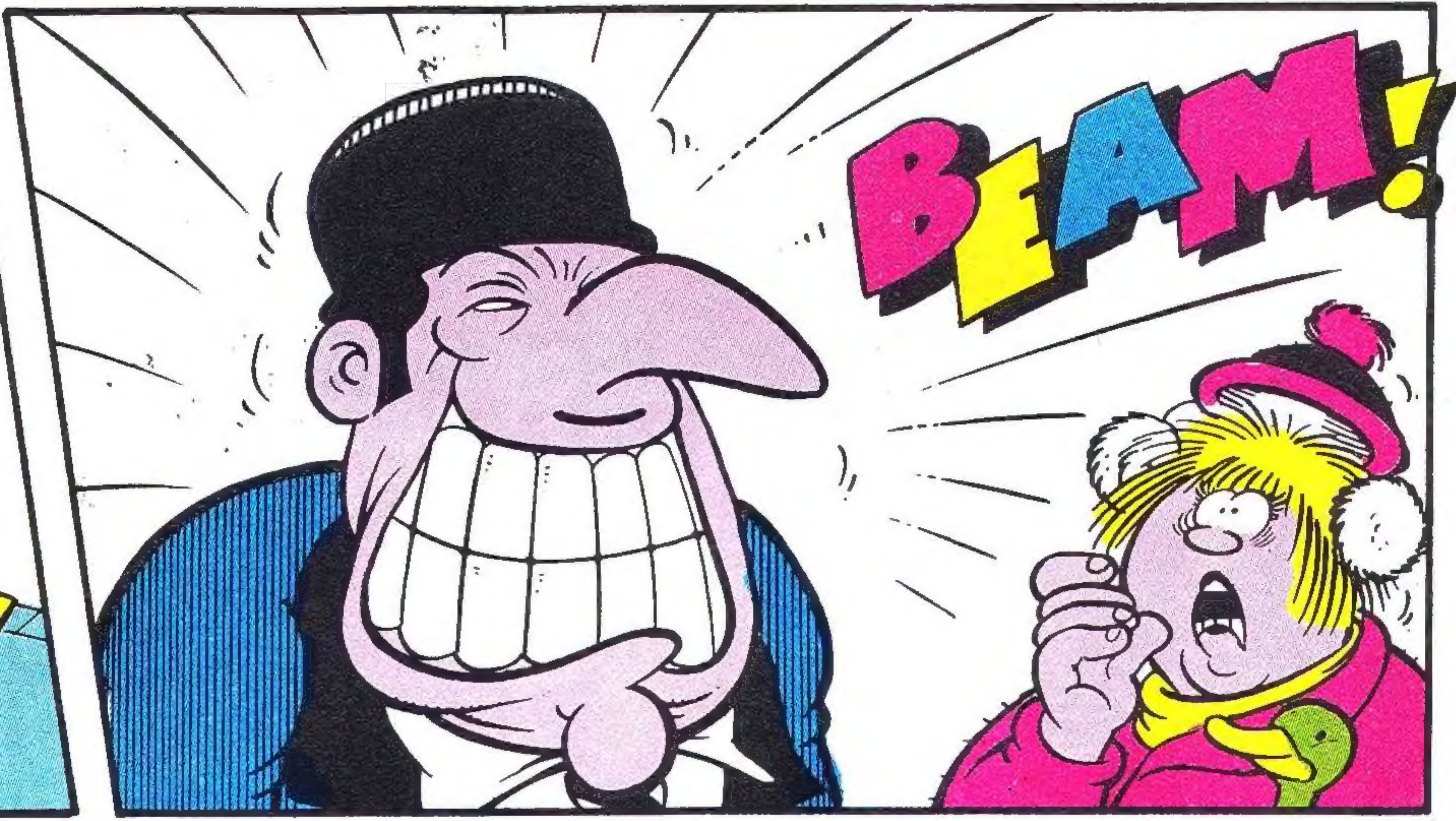
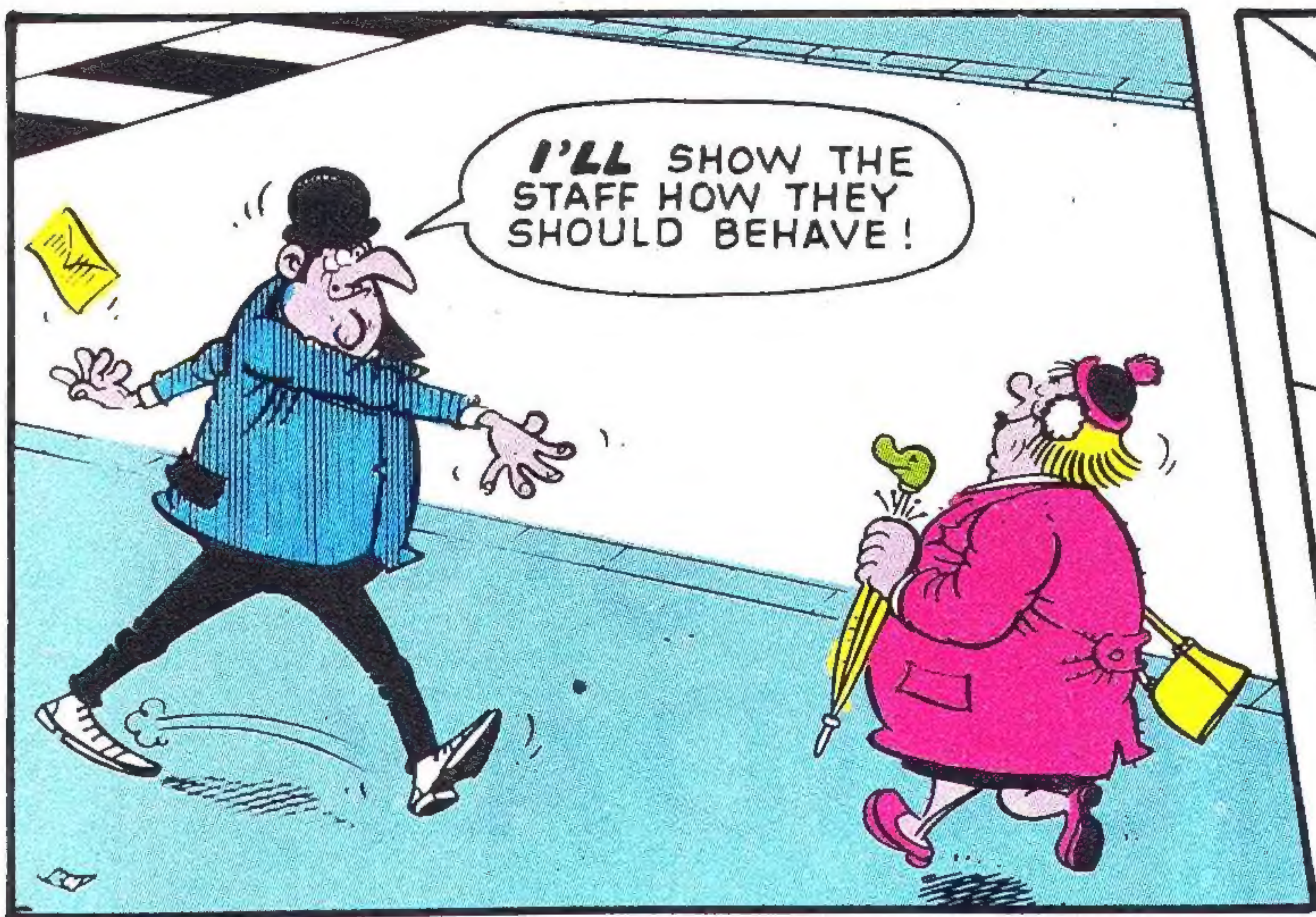
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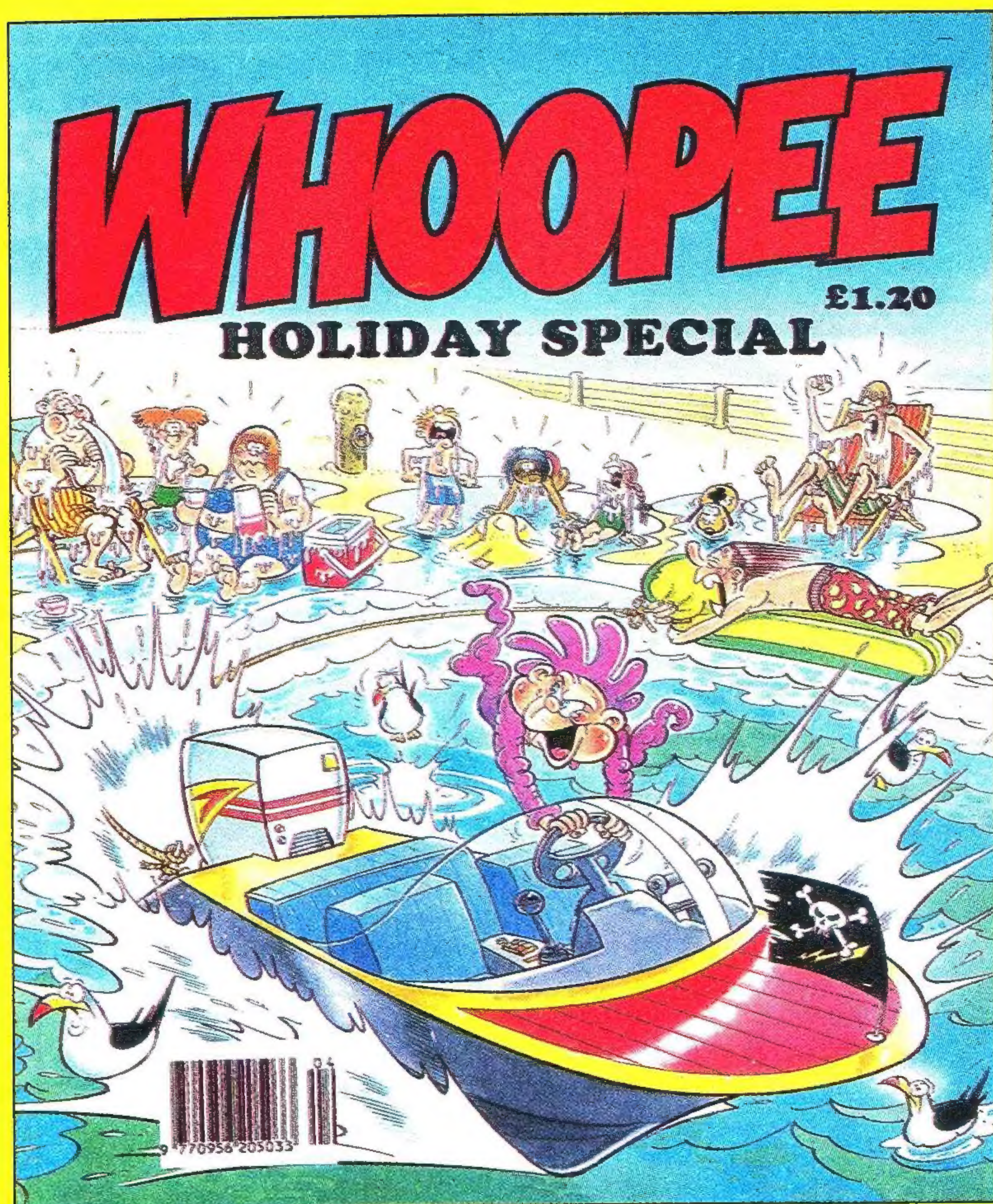
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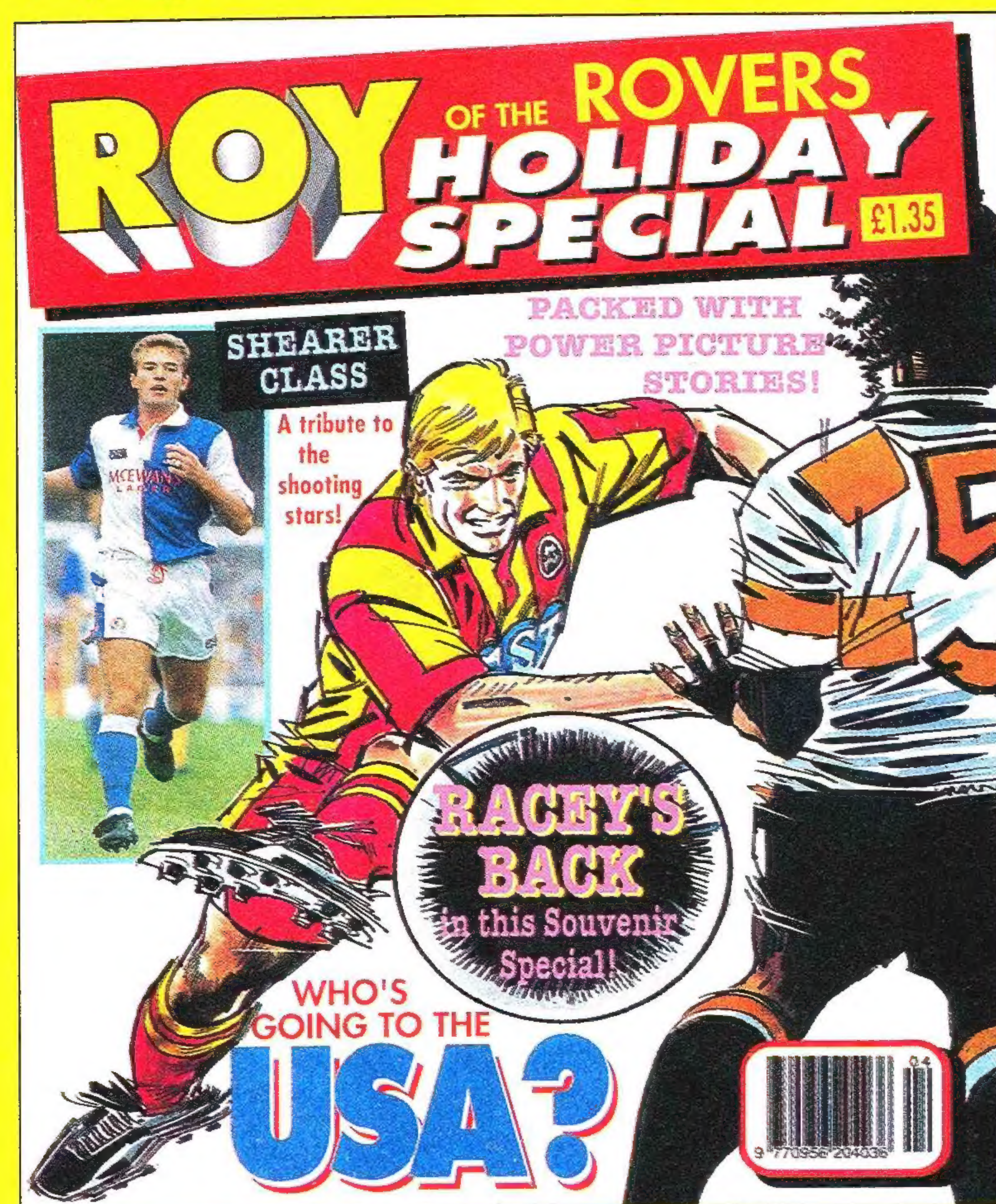
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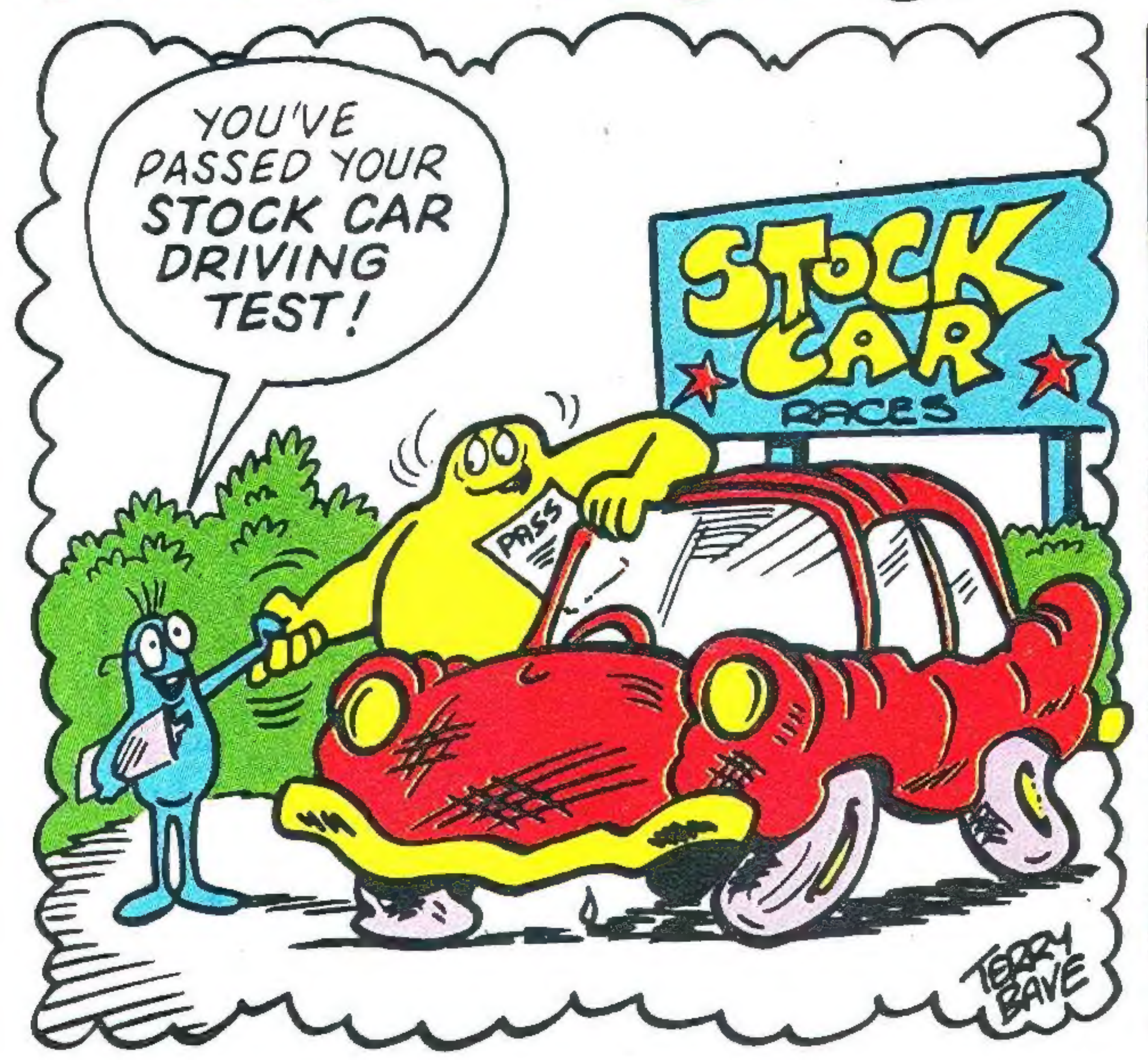
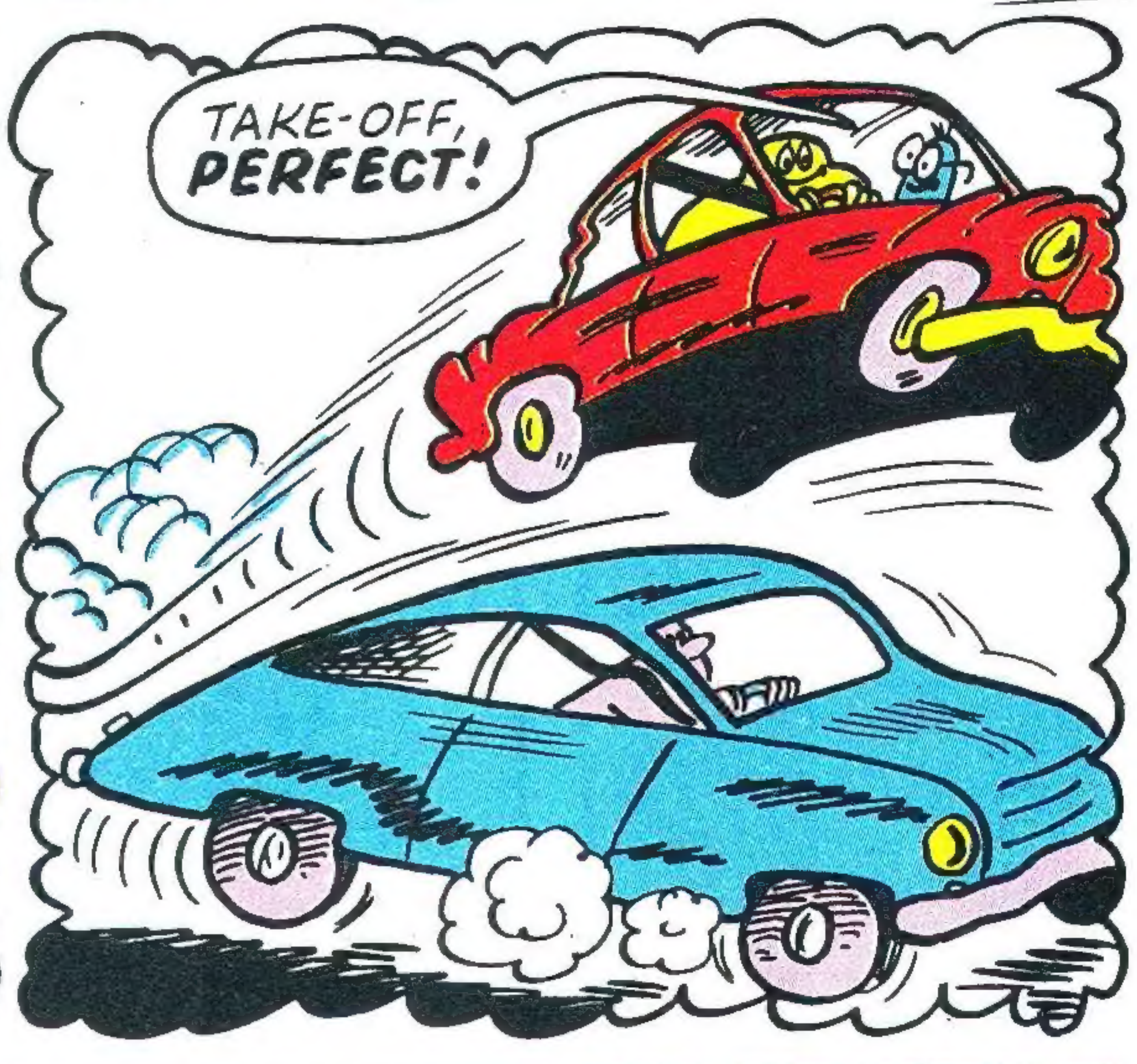
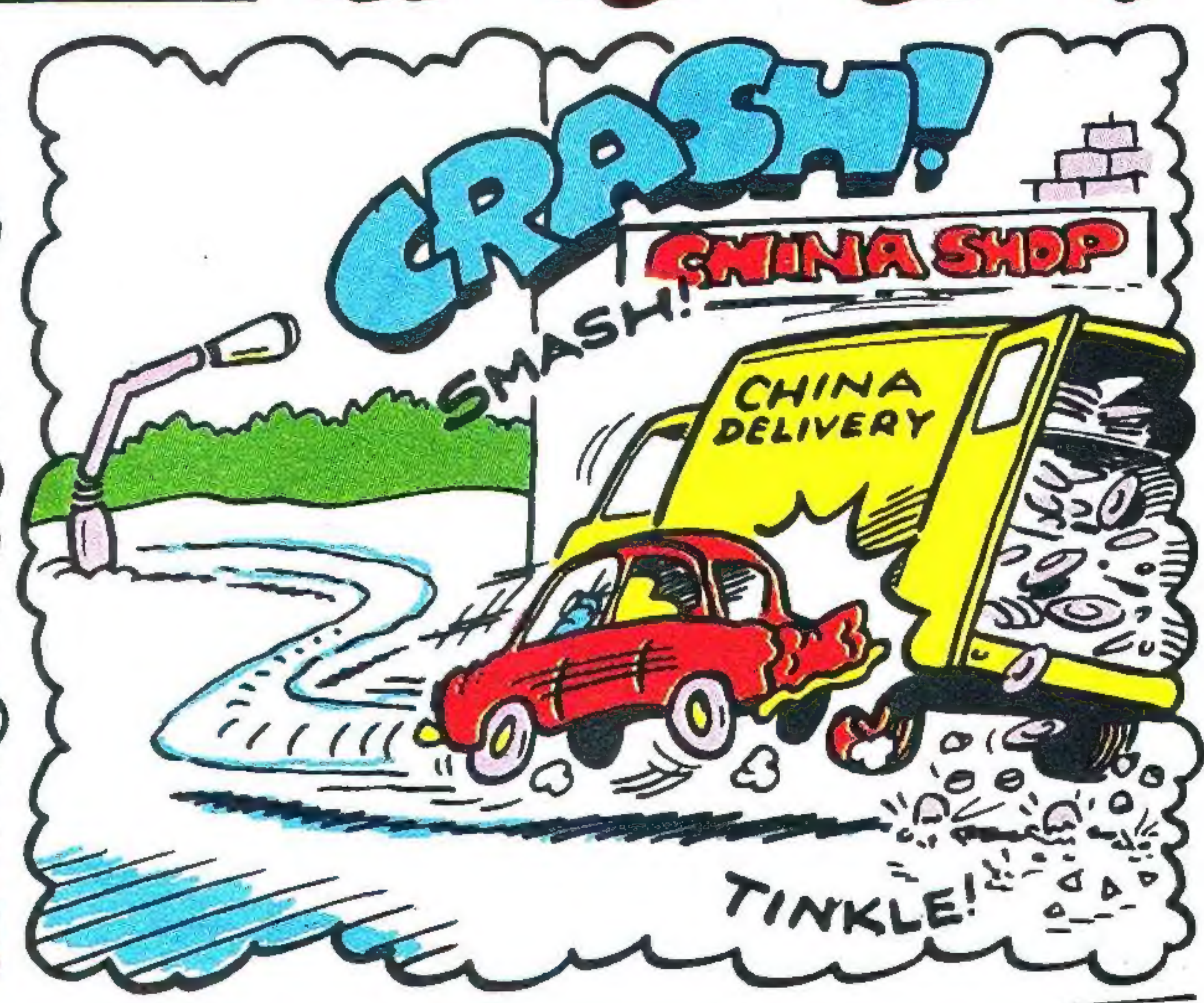
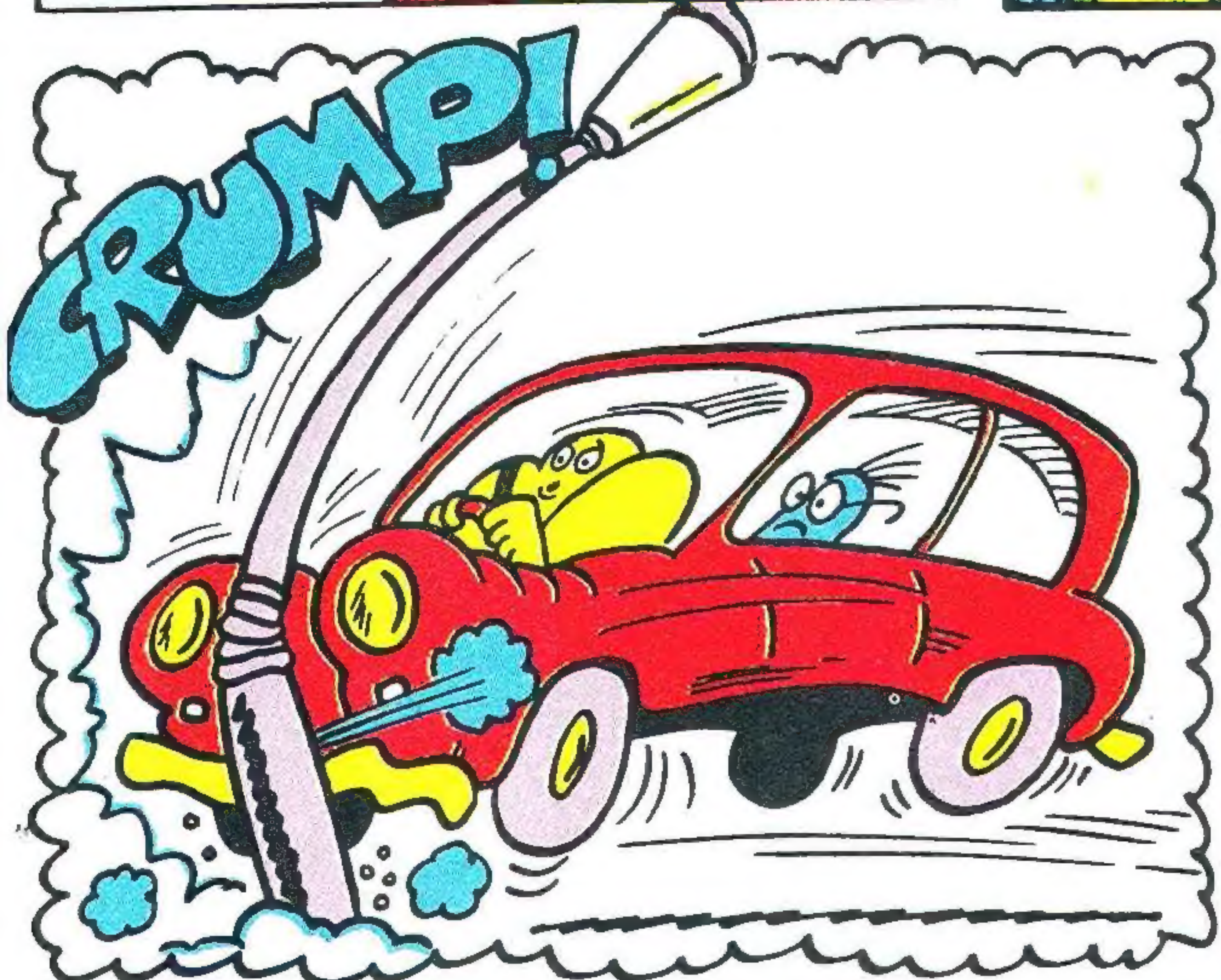
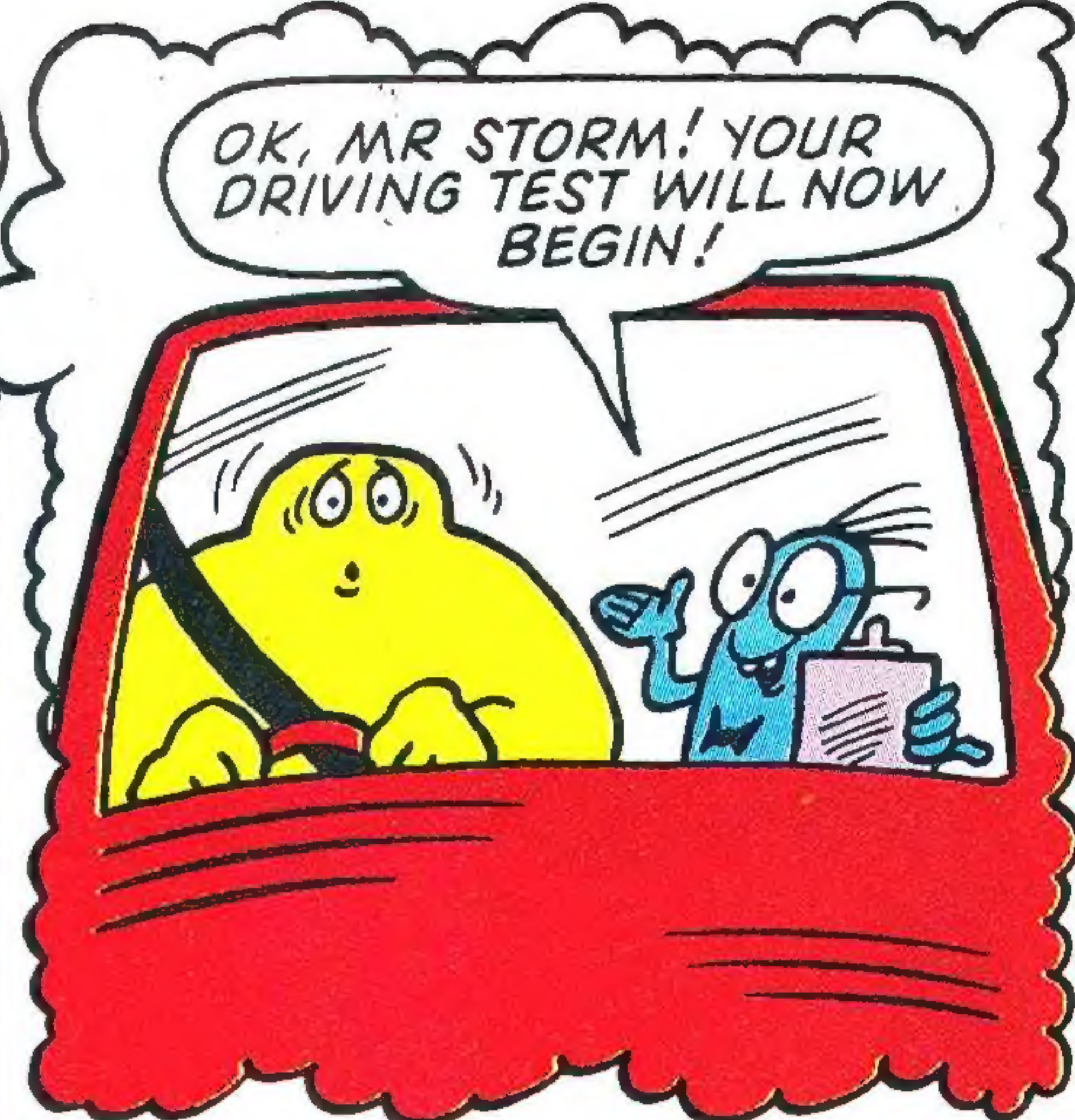
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